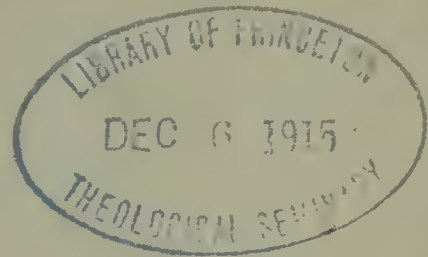


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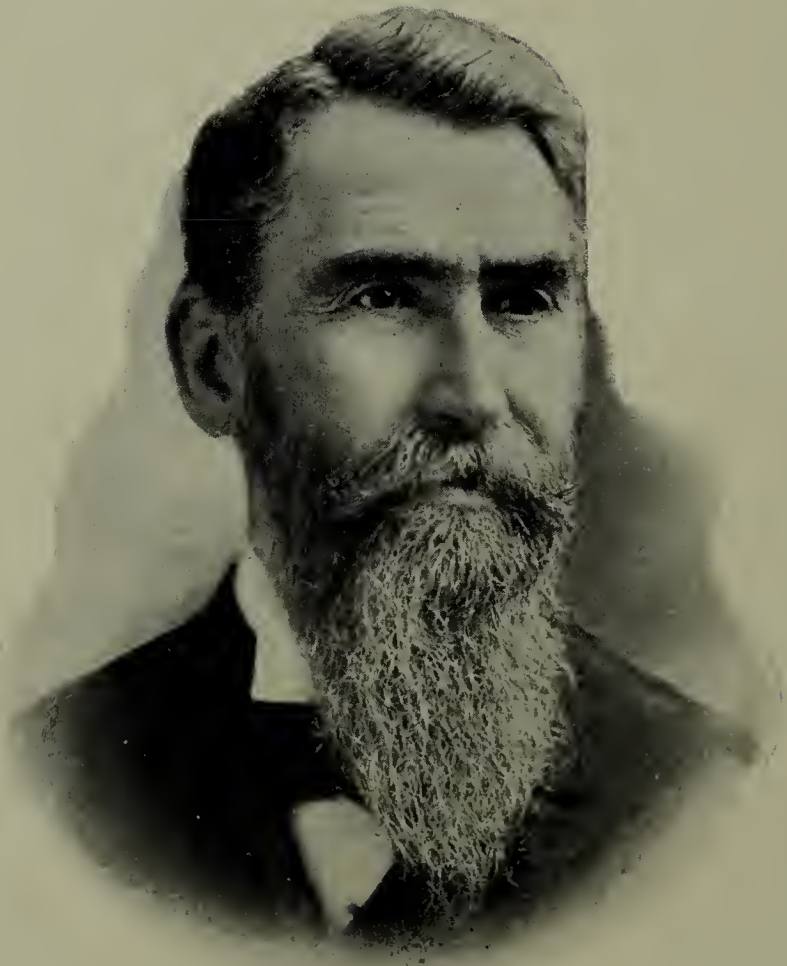


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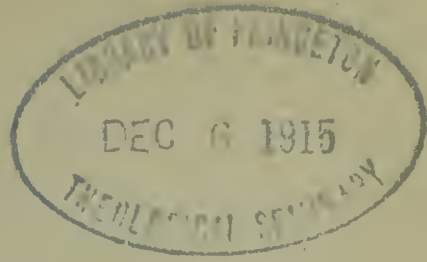
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CONSTITUTION.

We, the delegates from missionary societies, churches, and other religious bodies of the Baptist denomination in various parts of the United States, met in convention in the city of Augusta, Ga., for the purpose of carrying into effect the benevolent intentions of our constituents by organizing a plan for eliciting, combining, and directing the energies of the whole denomination in one sacred effort to the propagation of the gospel, agree to the following rules and fundamental principles:

ARTICLE I. This body shall be styled the "Southern Baptist Convention."

ART. II. It shall be the design of the Convention to promote foreign and domestic missions, and other important objects connected with the Redeemer's kingdom, and to combine for this purpose such portions of the Baptist denomination in the United States as may desire a general organization for Christian benevolence, which shall fully respect the independence and equal rights of the churches.

ART. III. The Convention shall consist, (1) of brethren who contribute funds, or are delegated by Baptist bodies contributing funds for the regular work of the Convention, on the basis of one delegate for every \$250 actually paid into the treasuries of the Boards during the fiscal year ending the 30th day of April next preceding the meeting of the Convention; (2) of one representative from each of the District Associations which co-operate with this Convention, provided that such representative be formally elected at the annual meeting of his District Association, and his election certified to by the Secretaries of the Convention, either in writing or by a copy of the printed Minutes.

ART. IV. The officers of this Convention shall be a President, four Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, who shall, in event of the death or disability of the Treasurer, act as such officer, and two Secretaries, who shall be elected at each annual meeting, and hold their offices until a new election; and the officers of the Convention shall be, each by virtue of his office, members of the several boards.

ART. V. The Convention shall elect at each annual meeting as many Boards of Managers as, in its judgment, will be necessary for carrying out the benevolent objects it may determine to pro-

mote—all of which Boards may continue in office until a new election. Each Board shall consist of a President, Vice-presidents, Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditor, and fifteen other members, seven of whom, including one or more of the officers, shall form a quorum for the transaction of business; provided, that any of the Boards may have the same person to fill the two positions of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. To each Board shall be committed, during the recess of the Convention, the entire management of all the affairs relating to the objects with whose interest it shall be charged; all of which management shall be in strict accordance with the constitutional provisions adopted by this Convention, and such other instructions as may be given from time to time. Each Board shall have power to make such compensation to its Secretaries and Treasurer as it may think right, fill the vacancies occurring in its own bodies, and enact its own By-laws.

ART. VI. The Treasurer of each Board shall faithfully account for all moneys received by him, keep a regular entry of all receipts and disbursements, and make report of them to the Convention whenever it shall be in session, and to his Board as often as required. He shall also, on entering upon the duties of his office, give competent security to the President of the Board for all the stocks and funds committed to his care. His books shall be open at all times to the inspection of any member of the Convention and of its Board. No moneys shall be paid out of any of the treasuries of the Board but by an order from that Board from whose treasury the money is to be drawn, which order shall be signed by the presiding officer.

ART. VII. The Corresponding Secretaries of the several Boards shall maintain intercourse by letter with such individuals or public bodies as the interest of their respective bodies may require. Copies of all such communications, with their answers, if any, shall be kept by them on file.

ART. VIII. The Recording Secretaries of the several Boards shall keep a fair record of their proceedings, and of such other documents as may be committed to them for the purpose.

ART. IX. All the officers, Boards, missionaries, and agents appointed by the Convention, or by any of its Boards, shall be members of some regular church in union with the churches composing this Convention.

ART. X. Missionaries appointed by any of the Boards of this Convention must, previous to their appointment, furnish evidence of genuine piety, fervent zeal in their Master's cause, and talents which fit them for the service for which they offer themselves.

ART. XI. The bodies and individuals composing this Convention shall have the right to specify the object or objects to which their contributions shall be applied. But when no such specification is made, the Convention will make the appropriation at its own discretion.

ART. XII. The Convention shall hold its meetings annually, but extra meetings may be called by the President, with the approbation of any of the Boards of Managers. A majority of the attending delegates shall not be necessary to make a quorum for the transaction of business. The President, or in the event of his death, any of the Vice-presidents of the Convention, may, at the request of two of its Boards, change the time and the place of meeting of this Convention, when it may be deemed by him inexpedient to convene at the time or place appointed.

ART. XIII. Any alterations which experience shall dictate may be made in these Articles by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting of the Convention.



MICHIGAN AVENUE CHURCH,
KANSAS CITY.

BY-LAWS.

Impressed with the obligations resting on the Convention to endeavor more energetically and systematically to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of the whole denomination in one sacred effort for the promulgation of the gospel, we adopt the following By-laws:

1. That the Boards of the Convention be directed to form the closest possible connection with the State Boards, where such exists, in such a way as shall be mutually agreeable, and in other cases to secure such agency as each of the Boards may deem best, in both cases providing for the necessary expenses incurred.

2. That the Secretaries of the Boards of the Convention be instructed to secure frequent distribution of information relating to their work by means of newspapers, tracts, leaflets, and otherwise, as may be found expedient among the mass of the people.

3. That the Committee of the Nomination of New Boards be instructed to nominate, as Vice Presidents of Boards, men known to be identified with the interests of the Convention, and of their own State Boards, and unless special reasons exist to the contrary, men who make efforts to attend the sessions of the Convention. These Vice Presidents shall be expected to co-operate with the Boards, both giving and receiving suggestions as to work to be done, and they also shall be expected to present at the next session of the Convention a brief report in writing of what they had been requested to do, and of the way in which they have complied with these requests, with any suggestions they may have to offer as to the conditions and needs of their respective fields. It shall be the duty of each Secretary in due time to furnish the Vice President of his Board with suitable blanks for such reports, and to call their attention to this article, and to make any proper effort to secure the due preparation of these reports. In case any Vice President appointed is unable or unwilling to comply with the requests herein mentioned, it shall be the duty of the Board, if possible, to find some person who can, and request him to do so; and, furthermore, the Vice President for each State shall be desired, as speedily as possible, to prepare a roll of the associations, churches, and Sunday

schools in that State, to be used for the distribution of information, and to ascertain as far as possible which of the churches and Sunday schools are contributing to the funds of the Board and the annual amounts, and to make systematic effort each year to increase the number and amount of such contributions.

4. The Boards shall report at each session of the Convention what special efforts they have been able to make toward carrying out the objects of these By-laws.

5. Immediately after the reading of the reports of the Boards each year, a committee of five shall be appointed, to whom shall be referred so much of these reports as pertains to the carrying out of the By-laws, and also the reports of the Vice Presidents.

6. The President, Vice Presidents, and Secretaries of the Convention shall be elected by ballot; provided, however, that when there is only one nomination for the same office, the Secretary, if there be no objection, may be instructed to cast the ballot for the Convention.

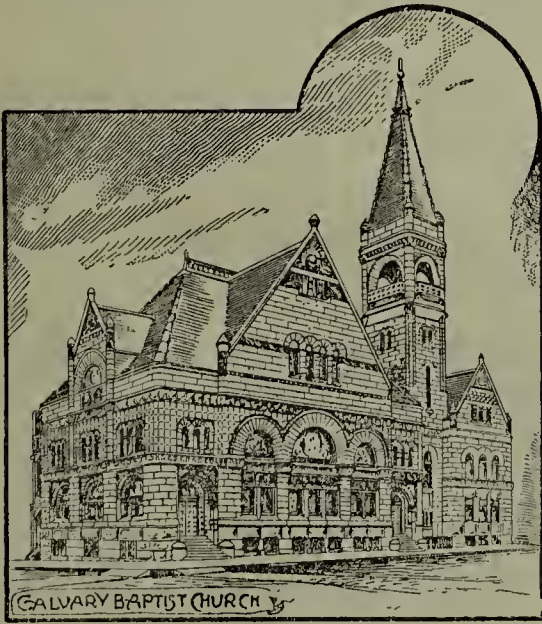
7. Applause on the floor of the Convention is out of order, and it shall be the duty of the presiding officer to promptly suppress all such demonstration.

8. No speeches advocating the claims of any brother nominated for an office of the Convention be allowed but one speech of nomination, and one speech seconding the nomination; also, that addresses and responses of welcome be limited to one address not more than fifteen minutes in length, and one response of not more than ten minutes.

9. These By-laws may be altered at any time by a majority vote except on the last day of the Convention.

PROCEEDINGS.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, May 12, 1905.



THE Southern Baptist Convention met this day at 10 A.M., and in the absence of James P. Eagle, Arkansas, the President of the preceding Convention, who had fallen on sleep, was called to order by Edwin W. Stephens, Missouri, one of the Vice Presidents.

2. The Convention was led in prayer by A. C. Davidson, Alabama.

3. The roll of representatives was called, and their names were enrolled as appear at the close of the journal.

4. Edwin W. Stephens, Missouri, having been placed in nomination for the office of President, it was, on motion of T. T. Eaton, Kentucky, ordered that the ballot of the Convention be cast for him by one of the Secretaries, and it was so done.

5. The President was introduced to the Convention, assumed the chair, and addressed the body.

6. The following brethren were nominated to be Vice Presidents: T. H. Ellett, Virginia; C. A. Smith, South Carolina; Joshua Levering, Maryland; J. C. Stalcup, Indian Territory. There being four nominations, it was,

on motion of A. D. Freeman, Georgia, ordered that the ballot of the Convention be cast by one of the Secretaries for these brethren.

7. On motion of W. C. McCall, Florida, it was unanimously ordered that W. E. Hatcher, Virginia, cast the ballot of the Convention for Lansing Burrows, Tennessee, and Oliver F. Gregory, Alabama, to be Secretaries, and it was so done.

8. George W. Norton and William P. Harvey, both of Kentucky, were re-elected Treasurer and Auditor of the Convention.

9. The following resolution, offered by Joshua Levering, Maryland, was adopted:

WHEREAS, This Convention has been informed that there exist the following vacancies in the membership of the Board of Trustees of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary—viz.: One from Maryland, one from Alabama, one from Kentucky, and three from Tennessee; therefore

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to nominate three brethren residing in said States, for each of said vacancies to this Convention, from which the Board of the Seminary may fill the existing vacancies in accordance with the fundamental laws of the seminary.

10. The President announced the following to be the Committee on Order of Business: J. H. Kilpatrick, Georgia; E. Y. Mullins, Kentucky; J. M. Frost, Tennessee; B. D. Gray, Georgia; R. J. Willingham, Virginia.

11. The following resolution, offered by T. T. Eaton, Kentucky, was adopted:

Resolved, That the matter of determining the place where this Convention shall meet next year be referred to a committee of five, who shall give careful consideration to all the conditions, visiting if deemed necessary the places desiring the meeting and reaching a decision, subject to the approval of the President of the Convention, not later than January 1, 1906, and announcing the decision through the denominational papers. Whatever expense this committee may incur in doing their work shall be paid by the people of the city that secures the meeting of the Convention.

10. After an address explanatory of the arrangements made for the comfort of the brethren by F. C. McConnell, pastor of the church in which the sessions were to be held, words of welcome were spoken by John L. Peak, to which a response on the part of the Convention was made by John E. White, Georgia.

11. J. H. Kilpatrick, Georgia, from the Committee, made a partial report on the Order of Business, and it was adopted, including the fixing of the hours of meeting at 9 A.M., 2.30 P.M., and 8 P.M., and of adjournment at 12 noon, 5.30 P.M., and pleasure. This order was, by motion of A. E. Brown, North Carolina, ordered to be printed for distribution.

12. The President announced the following committee to nominate brethren to the Trustees of the seminary to fill vacancies upon the Board: J. W. Millard, Georgia; M. B. Adams, Kentucky; L. O. Dawson, Alabama; E. E. Folk, Tennessee; J. H. Eager, Maryland; E. E. Dudley, Virginia; W. J. Williamson, Missouri.

13. The pastors of the various Baptist churches of the city were constituted the Committee on Religious Exercises.

14. The Convention then adjourned, with prayer by B. W. N. Sims, North Carolina.

FIRST DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION.

15. The Convention met at 2 o'clock, and was led in prayer by R. C. Buckner, Texas.

16. Fraternal messengers were recognized, the Convention being addressed by Rev. H. Grattan Guinness, of England, and J. W. McCollum, missionary in Japan.

17. An abstract of the report of the Foreign Mission Board was read by R. J. Willingham, its Corresponding Secretary, and also the report of the Treasurer of the Board; all of which was ordered to be referred to Committees on Pagan Fields, Papal Fields, Woman's Work, Finances, Proposed Union Work, and Items of Special Interest.

18. An abstract of the report of the Sunday School Board was read by J. M. Frost, its Corresponding Secretary, and also the report of the Treasurer of the Board, which report was ordered to be referred to a Committee on the General Work and Policy of the Board.

19. An abstract of the report of the Home Mission Board was read by its Corresponding Secretary, B. D. Gray, Georgia; and also the report of the Treasurer of the Board; all of which was ordered to be referred to Committees on Cities and Foreigners, Church Building Fund, Work among the Negroes, Mountain Missions and Schools, Cuba and New Fields, Frontier Missions, and Administration, Work and Outlook of the Board.

20. The following were appointed under the fifth item of the By-Laws on the Reports of the Vice Presidents: J. M. Shelburne, Alabama; Milford Riggs, Missouri; J. W. Gillon, Texas; W. C. McCall, Florida; J. A. Wynne, Georgia; E. T. Mobberly, Mississippi; W. F. Watson, North Carolina.

21. J. W. Millard, Georgia, from the Committee to nominate Trustees of the Seminary, reported the following names, and it was adopted:

For *Maryland*: R. W. Weaver, J. J. Darlington, C. L. Laws. For *Kentucky*: B. F. Proctor, E. B. Pollard, C. T. Dearing. For *Alabama*: Jonathan Haralson, B. F. Ellis, A. C. Davidson. For *Tennessee*: M. D. Jeffries,

Lee F. Miller, J. H. Snow, W. C. Golden, E. E. Folk, F. W. Moore, T. S. Potts, A. U. Boone, P. T. Hale.

22. On motion of B. M. Gwathmey, Virginia, the Secretaries were directed to express, by telegram, the regret of the Convention for the absence of J. B. Hawthorne, for so many years in attendance upon its sessions.

23. The Convention then adjourned, after prayer by E. M. Poteat, South Carolina.

FIRST DAY, EVENING SESSION.

24. The Convention met at 8 o'clock, C. A. Smith, South Carolina, presiding. E. Y. Mullins, Kentucky, read the Ninetieth Psalm, and prayer was offered by H. F. Buckner, Texas.

25. The annual sermon was delivered by W. H. Felix, Kentucky, from Romans 1: 15-17.

26. The following Committee on Report of the Sunday School Board was announced:

Weston Bruner, District of Columbia; A. C. Davidson, Alabama; J. S. Cheek, Kentucky; T. P. Bell, Georgia; F. A. Freeman, Mississippi; W. T. Amis, Arkansas; A. L. Johnston, Louisiana; H. W. Virgin, Missouri; A. G. Washburn, Indian Territory; A. U. Boone, Tennessee; Livingston Johnson, North Carolina; H. A. Bagby, South Carolina; L. R. Scarborough, Texas; L. D. Geiger, Florida; M. L. Wood, Virginia.

27. L. O. Dawson, Alabama, presented the report of the Commission on Work among the Colored People, appointed at the preceding session of the Convention, and after discussion by T. T. Eaton, Kentucky, it was adopted as follows:

In obedience to the wish of this Convention, your Commission began its work immediately after the adjournment of your Nashville meeting.

We have tried to hold personal opinions in abeyance, and have sought to avoid conclusions of any kind until all possible facts were in our possession. We have, by letters and personal interviews, gone for information to all sorts of sources, public and private, to men and women of all professions, occupations, and callings, of both races. We have sought advice from North and South, and particularly have we tried to get at the exact conditions of the colored people in the States composing the territory of this Convention. Our inquiry has covered as far as possible every phase of the negro's life, and as a result we have accumulated a vast amount of material from which we deduce the following conclusions and recommendations:

1. It is no affair of this Convention to solve the so-called negro problem. It is our business to find our duty, recognize and discharge it. God will take care of the problem.

2. The condition of the negroes vary with varying localities, times, occupations, and influence of particular men. It is not in Virginia as it is in Mississippi, and will not be tomorrow what it is today in either place. It is one thing in the mine, another on the farm,, and still another in the city. Moreover, one mine, farm, or city differs from another mine, farm, or city, and the status quo in any locality or time, is often materially affected by the appearance or disappearance of a single individual, white or black. We find among many, evidences of improvement in home life, character, civilization, and religion. Among others there is a pitiful prevalence of drug habits of all sorts, low moral ideas and ideals, a religion without morality, absence of home life in any just sense of that word, licentiousness, shiftlessness, unreliability, and crime of all sorts. Insanity, a thing practically unknown among them before their emancipation, is so rapidly increasing as to be itself a serious problem to the States.

3. No fixed policy can with wisdom be adopted by a convention dealing with a shifting problem. A plan pre-eminently wise today might be foolish tomorrow. In all our policies there should be an elasticity that would render readjustment or entire change not only possible but easy.

4. By far the greatest force in leading the negroes up from savagery has been his varied contact with Christian white men and women, and especially the influence of the Christian home. In this daily personal contact with the negro, necessary in our Southern life, lies our greatest opportunity to help, and herein is found our chief duty. It is largely an individual duty, vastly more important than any educational or missionary scheme this or any other Convention can adopt. By pulpit and press, by every force known to Christian endeavor, this Convention should urge our people to perform this individual every-day home duty. This, with fair and just treatment in all the affairs of life, will be well-nigh the measure of our obligation. This will help to self-help and self-respect. The negro is no longer a slave and should be no longer a ward. Upon this point your Committee rests its chief emphasis and its most earnest recommendation.

5. The Southern Baptist Convention should stand, as it has always stood, for the application of every possible uplifting agency to the negro situation, and therefore should welcome every contribution from whatever source to the proper education of the negroes. Chief among these contributions is the one

hundred and thirty millions of dollars paid by the Southern States through taxation for this purpose. These States will continue and doubtless increase this public fund, thus recognizing that every being created in God's image has a right to the opportunity for the full development of his being. The opposite policy is anti-Christian and one for which this Convention could not stand.

6. Inasmuch as the States included in the territory of this body are dealing so liberally with the secular education of the negroes, the special benevolence of the Southern Baptist Convention can be most wisely directed at present by seeking to uplift the masses through their preachers and other religious leaders (as is now being done through your Home Board), and by trying to fit their general ministry for better service.

To this end we suggest that this Convention consider the feasibility of undertaking some plan for theological training of a negro ministry fitted to lead their people. We are glad to note that the number of efficient negro ministers is encouraging and increasing, and we should aid in the work. The accomplishment of this task may in the end necessitate the establishment and maintenance of a Negro Theological Seminary, inasmuch as there is no Baptist institution of which we can learn devoted exclusively to this work. In this whole matter we should seek the co-operation of other brethren who are likewise interested in this work.

7. What the Southern Baptist Convention does for the negro should be done through its committee which has always had it in hand—viz.: the Home Board. It knows and can know the situation, and can and will do the work without the creation of further machinery.

8. In dealing with this whole work the Home Board should be left to the free exercise of its best judgment in the light of all the facts before it. Those facts will be constantly changing, and to bind it by rigid instructions would be unwise and at times disastrous. We recommend this the more cheerfully in view of the long-established and tried policy of the Board in regarding the wishes of churches, State Boards, and Conventions. Your commission has the utmost confidence in the wisdom and consecrated common sense of the Home Board.

9. Your commission brings no set plan of co-operation between this Convention and any other body, white or colored, State or national, for the reason that any wise plan would involve details which can be best handled by the Board which has the matter in charge. We wish, however, to express our adherence to the principle of co-operation with other brethren engaged in this work, when such is possible along safe, sane, and Scriptural grounds. But if such co-operation involves delays, clumsy methods or policies inimical to the work of this Convention, it should be avoided until such a scheme can be settled upon that will commend itself to the common sense as well as to sentiment of the Brotherhood.

10. In this work, as in all other undertaken by it, the Convention should, and the Home Board does exercise such supervision as will satisfy reasonable men, and a supervision to which no reasonable man would object.

11. Summarizing, it will appear that your commission offers the following suggestions and recommendations: (1) Our duty is chiefly personal and individual. (2) The policy of this Convention should be elastic, not bound by agreements, or otherwise, in such a way as would make changes difficult. (3) That leaving, for the time at least, the secular education of the negro to other agencies, the Convention should consider carefully the training of an efficient negro ministry, employing meantime the best men that can be found among them in evangelistic and missionary work among their people. (4) That the details of this work, including the matter of co-operation, should be left to the Home Board, in whose judgment we express our hearty confidence, and to whom we pledge our earnest support.

In conclusion, the commission wishes to thank the multitude of people, many of them strangers, who have so courteously and carefully responded to its appeal for information and advice, and especially are thanks due and offered to the Home Board for placing every possible means at the disposal of the commission to aid it in arriving at the real truth in every matter concerned in our inquiry, regardless of what effect it might have on our conclusions touching its own work.

Believing we have in the foregoing reached the limit of our ability to serve the Convention, we respectfully beg to be discharged.

L. O. DAWSON, Alabama, Chairman;
 J. F. LOVE, Arkansas;
 E. O. WARE, Louisiana;
 C. J. THOMPSON, North Carolina;
 G. W. TRUETT, Texas;
 J. C. STALCUP, Indian Territory;
 W. F. YARBOROUGH, Mississippi;
 L. B. WARREN, Florida;
 G. W. HYDE, Missouri;
 A. U. BOONE, Tennessee.

28. The Committee on Order of Business reported through J. H. Kilpatrick, Georgia, outlining the order for the remainder of the session, and it was adopted.

29. After prayer by J. M. Frost, Tennessee, the Convention then adjourned.



CENTROPOLIS CHURCH,
KANSAS CITY.

SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, May 13, 1905.

30. The Convention reassembled at 9 o'clock, and being called to order, was led in prayer by T. P. Stafford, Missouri. The brethren had previously spent a half hour in devotional exercises.

31. The following Committees were announced:

Pagan Fields.—Joshua Levering, Maryland; J. F. Williams, Kentucky; G. A. Lofton, Tennessee; S. M. Provence, Alabama; A. D. Freeman, Georgia; A. J. S. Thomas, South Carolina; B. W.

N. Simms, North Carolina; E. D. Cameron, Indian Territory; G. W. Hyde, Missouri.

Papal Fields.—E. M. Poteat, South Carolina; John H. Eager, Maryland; C. V. Edwards, Louisiana; W. J. E. Cox, Alabama; J. F. Elder, Oklahoma; B. F. Riley, Texas; H. W. Cole, Missouri.

Finances.—W. C. Graves, Tennessee; A. R. Levering, Missouri; J. T. Bothwell, Georgia; Thomas Spight, Mississippi; J. T. Slade, Kentucky; J. W. Conger, Arkansas; George E. Truett, District of Columbia.

Proposed Union Work.—P. E. Burroughs, Texas; W. H. Felix, Kentucky; J. F. Kemper, Missouri; J. H. Anderson, Tennessee; F. C. Edwards, Florida; J. H. Lane, Mississippi; W. M. Gilmore, Georgia.

Items of Special Interest.—S. Y. Jameson, Georgia; J. W. McCollum, Alabama; G. M. Cowan, Virginia; P. B. Jones, Tennessee; H. E. Truex, Missouri; W. Y. Quisenbury, Louisiana; M. McGee, South Carolina.

Mountain Missions and Schools.—D. W. Key, South Carolina; R. G. Patrick, Alabama; M. D. Jeffries, Tennessee; H. H. Hibbs, Kentucky; W. B. McGarrity, Texas; J. C. Maple, Missouri; B. W. Spillman, North Carolina.

Cities and Foreign Population.—J. J. Porter, Missouri; Howard L. Jones, Tennessee; T. C. Skinner, Maryland; John Ayers, Arkansas; B. A. Dawes, Kentucky; V. I. Masters, South Carolina; W. T. Derieux, Virginia.

Frontier Missions.—J. F. Love, Arkansas; J. W. Loving, Kentucky; J. C. Stalcup, Indian Territory; J. M. Carroll, Texas; W. S. Penick, Louisiana; L. W. Marks, Oklahoma; C. C. Slaughter, Texas.

Church Building.—H. A. Sumrall, Louisiana; C. W. Brewer, Oklahoma; E. T. Wright, Kentucky; W. M. Harris, Tennessee; W. S. Splawn, Texas; W. H. Smith, Georgia; W. F. Yarborough, Mississippi.

Cuba and New Fields.—P. I. Lipsey, Mississippi; G. W. McDaniel, Virginia; L. B. Warren, Texas; W. A. Hobson, Florida; W. B. Crumpton, Alabama; T. W. Eberhardt, Missouri; G. A. Nunnally, Georgia.

Work among the Negroes.—C. A. Stakely, Alabama; R. A. Cohron, Mississippi; J. T. Christian, Arkansas; J. Wm. Jones, Virginia; H. C. Pugh, Louisiana; A. W. Bealer, Georgia; B. G. Tutt, Missouri.

Administration, Work and Outlook.—J. B. Gambrell, Texas; C. A. Smith, South Carolina; A. V. Rowe, Mississippi; P. C. Barton, Arkansas; E. O. Ware, Louisiana; M. A. Wood, North Carolina; G. W. Crutcher, Tennessee.

Woman's Work.—John D. Jordan, Georgia; Bruce Benton, Louisiana; R. C. Buckner, Texas; A. C. Graves, Kentucky; H. C. Roberts, Arkansas; R. A. Venable, Mississippi; J. W. Solomon, Oklahoma.

Nominations.—Preston Blake, Kentucky; W. H. Ryalls, Tennessee; J. D. Biggs, Missouri; B. H. Dement, Texas; H. H. Shell, Louisiana; C. M. Billings, South Carolina; Richard Hall, Alabama; U. S. Thomas, Arkansas; O. J. Copeland, Georgia; H. A. Smoot, Mississippi; W. F. Holtzman, District of Columbia; W. C. Foster, Florida; G. M. Harrell, Indian Territory; H. A. Gries-

emer, Maryland; E. L. Baptist, Virginia; A. H. Porter, North Carolina; George F. Lowe, Oklahoma.

Enrollment.—W. C. Golden, Tennessee; F. W. Barnett, Alabama; W. P. Harvey, Kentucky; S. H. Slaughter, Texas; J. J. Hurt, Arkansas; B. J. W. Graham, Georgia; W. D. Turnley, Florida; J. D. Adcock, Louisiana; T. L. West, Missouri; J. W. Mitchell, Virginia; L. P. Leavell, Mississippi.

Time and Preachers of Next Session.—J. J. Taylor, Kentucky; S. B. Rogers, Florida; A. E. Brown, North Carolina; J. H. Wright, Tennessee; W. E. Pettus, Alabama; J. A. French, Texas; G. W. Hatcher, Missouri; H. W. Tribble, Virginia; H. Beauchamp, Arkansas.

32. The Statistical Report was presented, and it was ordered to be printed. It is Appendix D.

33. The report of the Treasurer was presented and adopted, as follows:

STATEMENT.

*Southern Baptist Convention in account with G. W. Norton,
Treasurer.*

1904.		RECEIPTS.	
July 1.	By cash for rent dividend No. 8, due July 1, 1904, on \$1,500 (60 shares) Nashville & Decatur R. R. Co. stock.....		\$ 56 25
July 25.	By N. Y. check from Lansing Burrows, Secretary Southern Baptist Convention, for proceeds sale 60 acres of land in Perry County, Ala., belonging to Southern Baptist Convention. See Convention proceedings 1904, Item 86, page 42		184 50
1905.			
Jan. 3.	By cash for rent dividend No. 9, due January 1, 1905, on \$1,500 (60 shares) Nashville & Decatur R. R. Co. stock		56 25
1905.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
April 15.	Remitted J. C. Williams, Treasurer Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, at Richmond, Va.....	\$ 56 25	
April 15.	Remitted Walker Dunson, Treasurer Home Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, at Atlanta, Ga.	56 25	
April 15.	To balance	184 50	
		\$297 00	\$297 00
April 15.	By balance.....		\$184 50

Louisville, Ky., April 15, 1905.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. NORTON, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct,

W. P. HARVEY, *Auditor.*

34. On motion of A. C. Ward, Georgia, it was ordered that the Treasurer pay the amount which had arisen from the sale of land in Alabama into the treasury of the Home Mission Board.

35. A communication from several brethren representing the views of fifty-two churches, as expressed in a Convention recently held in Texarkana, Arkansas, was presented and read, and it was ordered to be referred to a Committee.

36. Various brethren, representing other Baptist bodies and visitors to the Convention, were recognized.

37. The special order being the consideration of the interests of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, the Convention was addressed by J. T. M. Johnston, Missouri; J. W. Millard, Georgia; John H. Eager, Maryland; W. E. Hatcher, Virginia, and E. Y. Mullins, Kentucky.

38. Weston Bruner, D. C., read the report of the Committee on

The Work of the Sunday School Board.

We are happy to keep step with the swift and steady onward march of our great missionary enterprises. We believe that the Sunday School Board has contributed no small share toward this glorious advancement made by both Home and Foreign Missions. For this and for all other privileges and blessings we desire to express our deepest gratitude to God and the brethren.

The growth of the work of the Sunday School Board during the fourteen years of its history is little short of phenomenal. It has passed the experimental stage, if indeed it was ever in that state. It has been a financial success from the first, and the great good it has wrought by the distribution of the most wholesome spiritual food cannot be calculated in money. The Sunday school is the training camp of the church of Christ where our entire membership are to be thoroughly equipped for the great war.

The Sunday School Board teaches the most approved and up-to-date spiritual tactics in the world today. "The periodicals stand on their merit, and have won their way by intrinsic excellence. They have no superior in the whole field of Sunday school helps, while they surpass all others in their special adaptation to the needs and conditions and work of our own people," and the prices are easily within the reach of all.

Advancements.

1. **Superintendents' Quarterly.**—The equipment and training of the Sunday School Superintendent is of the highest value. He is truly the "strategic" man, and this Quarterly seems to fit him thoroughly for his great work.

2. **The Two New Field Secretaries.**—We most heartily approve of the policy of the Board in increasing the number of Field Secretaries as rapidly as it is practicable. Next in order to the Superintendent of the Sunday School is the efficient teacher. The institutes held by these Field Secretaries furnish training and inspiration for the teachers after the manner of movable normal schools. Their influence is far-reaching and we believe abiding.

3. **Three New Notable Books.**—The Board has shown its wisdom again as well as the masterly hand of its beloved Secretary in yielding to the growing demand for its publication of new books, and has given this year to the denomination three notable new books. We wish especially to commend "The Baptist Hymn and Prayer Book." This splendid collection of hymns meets the wants of both Sunday school and church, and well may the Board count it as almost the very crown of its book publication and almost its highest service to the denomination. We commend also the establishment of a permanent Bible fund. Truly, "God is leading forward and setting before us an open door. His opening and our entering mark the highway of progress and lead to the coming of His Kingdom."

WESTON BRUNER, Chairman,
A. C. DAVIDSON,
J. S. CHEEK,
T. P. BELL,
H. W. VIRGIN,
A. U. BOONE,
LIVINGSTON JOHNSON,
A. G. WASHBURN.

The report was spoken to by Weston Bruner, D. C.; J. W. O'Hara, Alabama; T. H. Ellett, Virginia; M. L. Wood, Virginia; L. O. Dawson, Alabama; M. P. Hunt, Missouri; S. H. Ford, Missouri; B. F. Lawler, Colorado; J. B. Gambrell, Texas; W. E. Hatcher, Virginia; J. H. Burnett, Kentucky; J. M. Frost, Tennessee, and the report was adopted.

39. The Committee on Religious Exercises reported through their Chairman, F. C. McConnell, the appointments for Sunday.

40. The Convention then adjourned, with prayer by J. William Jones, Virginia.

SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION.

41. At 2.30 P.M. the Convention met and was called to order, prayer being offered by J. J. Hyman, Georgia.

42. The President announced the following as the Committee called for by the resolution of T. T. Eaton, Kentucky, on

The Place of the Next Session.—T. T. Eaton, Kentucky; W. E. Hatcher, Virginia; Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Alabama; J. B. Gambrell, Texas.

43. On motion of J. W. Millard, Georgia, it was

Resolved, That we request our newly-elected President, Bro. E. W. Stephens, to bring to us at the opening of our next annual session an address upon such subject as may seem to him to be helpful to his brethren at this time.

44. The report of the Committee on Pagan Fields was read by Joshua Levering, Maryland, as follows:

Your Committee notes with deep regret and sadness the death of our missionary, Mrs. Chambers, the wife of our esteemed brother, Rev. R. E. Chambers, of Canton, China.

While we share with him and his children in their great sorrow, we can rejoice in the work she accomplished for the Master while life was spared to her, and in the assurance that, for her, to be absent from the body was to be present with the Lord.

The departure of this faithful worker, with three others of our missionary force from other fields, during the year, only emphasizes the need of increased prayer that the Lord will raise up among us other laborers to enter into this vineyard.

A Christian man has but to travel today the Orient to have the question raised in his mind whether in our missionary endeavors the lands composing this great portion of the world can any longer be properly designated as "Pagan Fields."

Certainly not in the sense in which this term was used when missionary efforts first began in these countries.

While it is true that much darkness, superstition, and error still abound, it is equally true that much of the prejudice and enmity then existing against Christianity have passed away.

Today these people are turning away from idol worship and the superstitions of their forefathers, in large numbers, and are in a waiting attitude for something more satisfying.

This fact brings home to us as a missionary body, in connection with other similar organizations, a solemn responsibility to enter at once in full measure into this field, in the providence

of God already white unto the harvest. If this is not done, and done promptly, these people turning away from their old beliefs and practices will run to the other extreme and accept agnosticism or other equally fateful errors, and as truly set forth in Scripture, "their last end will be worse than the first."

Today these people are calling upon us, in increasing numbers and added emphasis, for the gospel. If we, as a denomination, fail to respond to their urgent and oft-times pathetic plea to the extent of our ability, then will not a fearful responsibility rest upon us—yea, will not God require their blood at our hands?

To meet this new and increasing demand with its new phases of work, it is absolutely necessary that new and enlarged methods shall be applied by our Board at once. This can only be done by furnishing it with the men and the means sufficient to meet the emergency. Today the opportunity is ours, but tomorrow, with the rapid changes taking place in those Eastern lands, it may be too late.

Brethren, let there go up from this Convention a mighty prayer of faith that the Lord will so move, by his Holy Spirit, upon our hearts and upon the hearts of all our people, that there shall be no lack in the number of those called of Him to enter this ripened field, nor of the means necessary for sending them out with a proper equipment to do the required work, and that there may come a pentecostal blessing this year upon the labors of our missionaries, bringing with it the conversion of hundreds of souls to Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA LEVERING,
GEO. A. LOFTON,
A. J. S. THOMAS,
G. W. HYDE,
A. D. FREEMAN,
B. W. N. SIMMS,
J. F. WILLIAMS,
S. M. PROVENCE,

Committee.

45. E. M. Poteat, South Carolina, read the following report on

Why send missionaries to nominally Christian lands, to Roman Catholic countries? Our brethren of the Episcopal Church refuse to do so on the ground that these countries are already occupied by a church—to quote one of their bishops—whose orders they recognize, and we Baptists must give a reason for pursuing a different course.

We send missionaries to pagan lands because there Christ is not known; we send missionaries to lands under allegiance to the Pope of Rome because there, as we believe, Christ is not truly known. In pagan lands Christ is not represented; in papal lands Christ is misrepresented. We may go to pagan lands as Christians, we must go to papal lands as Baptist Christians. In China we go to publish salvation; in Italy and Brazil and

Mexico we go to correct the interpretation of a salvation already published. And here we may expect and be willing to brave the charge of Roman Catholics of sectarianism. On the contrary, we believe that Francis of Assisi and Thomas à Kempis and John Henry Newman were Christians, but that they were Christians in spite of and not by the aid of the creed they espoused; and we believe that in those countries, where the Roman Church has had its way, Christianity has been so deeply perverted as to be no longer recognized; it is rather paganism with a thin veneer of Christian phraseology. And here the Latin proverb applies: "Corruptio optimi pessima."

Further, we believe that as Baptists we have a special call and mission to papal lands, because we carry none of the toggery of Rome among our old clothes. We have never yet put the church or any of its ministrations between the individual soul and God, and we do not carry in our blood the taint of the virus of salvation by works. We believe God cleanses hearts by faith, and that the faith of the believer and not the faith of some one else. We believe God cleanses hearts by faith, and not by the manipulations of the church. In our interpretation of it, Christianity frankly admits believers into the family of God, not because and only when they are holy, but because they are believing sinners and in need of holiness. If the church is to prepare people for the family of God by laying hands upon them at the moment of birth (baptismal regeneration), and training them through life by penance and sacraments, and by purging them in purgatory after they die, then we Baptists are wholly wrong in our view of the gospel. But if we are right in our view, that people are admitted into the family of God by faith and faith alone, then we must do what in us lies—working always with infinite kindness and patience and love—to stop the long, long, thronged procession of the blind who follow the blind.

The results of our work the past year furnish confirmation, as we believe, for our conviction of a special call and mission to papal lands:

	Churches.	Out Stations.	Members.	Baptisms. (1904.)
Italy	29	38	721	121
Mexico	44	45	1,369	137
Brazil	69	110	4,027	866
Argentina	1	5	.....	.....
Totals	143	198	6,117	1,124

The churches contributed in 1904, \$18,692.11.

These facts show that we are successfully planting Christianity in our conception of it in these lands. We would especially note and commend the efforts of our brethren in these churches to organize for self-support and for missionary enterprise in the regions beyond themselves. New associations of Baptist churches are being formed, notably in the Republic of Brazil, and State mission organizations there give promise of large expansion in the years just ahead of us. These, together with schools and seminaries, that have already taken deep root in the native mind, show that if by some calamity we should be

compelled to withdraw all further help—which may God forbid—Baptist Christianity would live and grow in lands that have long been terrorized by the red cap and black cowl of the Church of Rome. Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN M. POTEAT, South Carolina;
JOHN H. EAGER, Maryland;
C. V. EDWARDS, Louisiana;
B. F. RILEY, Texas; Committee.

46. Under suspension of the rules, the Foreign Mission Board was requested to publish and distribute the report on Papal Fields in tract form.

47. P. E. Burroughs, Texas, read the following report of the Committee on

Proposed Union Work.

Your Committee on Proposed School Work in China and Japan, in connection with the American Baptist Missionary Union, having looked into the articles of agreement already drawn up, recommend that your Foreign Mission Board be authorized to adopt these articles of agreement and to enter upon the proposed union work. Respectfully submitted,

P. E. BURROUGHS, Chairman,
W. H. FELIX,
J. F. KEMPER,
J. H. ANDERSON,
J. H. LANE,
W. M. GILMORE.

After some explanatory remarks by R. J. Willingham, Virginia, and Joshua Levering, Maryland, as to the purport of the measure, the report was temporarily passed by.

48. W. C. Graves, Tennessee, read the following report of the Committee on

Finances of the Foreign Board.

As we review and study the work of the past year, surely we can say with hearts overflowing with gratitude, "Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name." As we see the increasing contributions being made year by year to the great cause of Foreign Missions, we accept it with gratitude as an evidence that God's people are more and more realizing as personal the great commission given them: "To preach the gospel to all the world and to every creature."

Our report for last year shows an increase in contributions of \$35,786.19, every State and territory in the Convention contributing a part of this increase, except one. It is but just to this State to say that the apparent decrease shown is because of a legacy received the year before, and that the contributions from regular sources have really increased.

Surely no greater evidence of the Master's acceptance and approval of the gifts laid upon his altar are needed than the record of 2,231 baptisms reported from our foreign fields, and the increasing willingness of hitherto hostile countries to have the blessed gospel taught within their bounds.

Surely this should stimulate us more and more to give that part of the substance he has given, and is still giving us, that rightfully belongs to him. Surely we must go forward. In view of the increased number of missionaries already sent out, and the number of others waiting to be sent, we feel that we must suggest that this Convention instruct the Board to enlarge the work at least twenty-five per cent this coming year. The Board reports with great joy that many individuals and churches have largely increased their gifts, but there are yet many who do not give at all to this work. To reach and awaken these we must look very largely to the pastors to awaken and teach them that the Master's great commission was to them personally and individually given.

Another important item we wish to mention is the cost of administration. In spite of the enlarged work and the preparing and sending out of fifty new missionaries, the cost of administering the past year has decreased, and of the funds received in Richmond, more than ninety cents of every dollar received goes direct to the foreign fields. Our people should know this and tell of it throughout our entire bounds, for there are still those that insist upon believing that only a very small part of the money contributed to foreign missions ever reaches the missionaries. In this connection let us say that one of the largest items of administration expenses is the interest paid on money borrowed from the banks. This can only be reduced by the brethren and churches being more regular and systematic in their contributions. A system of weekly or monthly gifts taking the place of the annual would largely relieve and reduce this necessary item of expense. Respectfully submitted,

W. C. GRAVES, Chairman,
A. R. LEVERING,
J. F. BOTHWELL,
THOMAS SPIGHT.

49. Pending the consideration of the reports, Bishop Hendricks, of the Methodist Church, and H. C. Mabie, of the American Baptist Missionary Union, were introduced and addressed the Convention.

50. The reports were discussed by Joshua Levering, Maryland; J. B. Gambrell, Texas; and by a large number

of brethren in short sentences of approval of the reports; and then there were presented to the Convention J. T. Proctor, a missionary in China; H. P. McCormick, a missionary in Porto Rico; F. F. Soren, native pastor of the church at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; S. L. Ginsburg, missionary in Brazil; all of whom addressed the body. R. J. Willingham, Virginia, spoke on the general subject of the needs of the foreign fields, and the foregoing reports were adopted with much enthusiasm.

51. The Convention adjourned, with prayer by W. W. Hamilton, Kentucky.

SECOND DAY, EVENING SESSION.

52. The Convention met at 8 o'clock, Joshua Levering, one of the Vice Presidents, in the chair, and prayer was offered by T. P. Bell, Georgia.

53. S. Y. Jameson, Georgia, read the following report from the Committee on

Items of Special Interest.

The new life that is everywhere apparent in our Southland it is gratifying to note is nowhere more marked than in our churches and missionary organizations. Running through the report of the Foreign Mission Board it is a mighty stream of missionary enthusiasm upon whose bosom are objects singularly interesting and instructive.

For years we cried to God for men. He gave them to us. But the money with which to send them out and sustain them was lacking. We cried to God for the necessary money. He has given it to us. Fifty new missionaries, since our last Convention, have sailed to their respective fields of labor. The churches contributed \$283,415.88, which enabled the Board to meet all obligations.

It is significant that as we have advanced in offerings God has multiplied baptisms on the foreign field. Think of it! Trusting in God, the Board enlarged the work, the churches responded to the advance, and before the fifty recruits could buckle on the armor, unusual victories were achieved. The old guard had the privilege of receiving and baptizing two thousand two hundred and thirty-one converts this year.

Special attention is called, in the report, to the imperative need of improved physical equipment in most, if not all, the fields occupied by our missionaries. Suitable houses for the missionaries, commodious, well-located chapels, adequate buildings for school and hospital purposes are indispensable to the best and most fruitful work. It will require more than one hundred thousand dollars to supply this equipment, the need of which the missionaries feel so keenly. What shall we do about it? It is our work. And God has given us the men and the money with which to greatly enlarge it. Without the equipment our missionaries will do much; with it they will do immeasurably more. It will be necessary for the Board to receive four hundred thousand dollars next year to enable it to meet the regular obligations and furnish the equipment referred to. But in the face of what God hath wrought, both at home and abroad, can we afford to falter? His blessings challenge the faith of Southern Baptists. The money is needed. The efficiency of the missionaries will be multiplied. We are able to give it. Shall we not wait upon God at the mercy seat and ask him to make us willing, and then go forth to conquer in his name?

S. Y. JAMESON,
M. M'GEE,
G. M. COWAN.

Upon this report addresses were made by J. R. Sampey, Kentucky, on "The Idea of Missions in the Prophecy of Isaiah;" by T. C. Skinner, Maryland, on "The Authority of the Great Commission;" by J. W. McCollum, a missionary in Japan; and by L. R. Scarborough, Texas, on "The Relation of the Pastor to Foreign Missions." Misses Sallee and Miller, under appointment to the foreign field, were presented to the Convention; and then the report was adopted.

54. The following Committee on the Memorial from the Texarkana Convention was announced: W. E. Hatcher, Virginia; J. H. Kilpatrick, Georgia; G. A. Lofton, Tennessee; J. T. Christian, Arkansas; B. H. Dement, Texas; C. H. Nash, Kentucky; Wm. Ellyson, Virginia.

55. The report of the Committee on

Baptist World Congress.

was read by J. N. Prestridge, Kentucky, and adopted as follows, and, on motion of A. H. Newman, Texas, the

Committee was continued until after the proposed meeting in London.

The Baptist World Congress is assured, July 11-18, 1905, at London, England. Your Committee took the liberty of adding to itself Secretaries R. J. Willingham and J. M. Frost, and Brethren B. A. Dawes, A. T. Robertson, Lansing Burrows, and W. O. Carner, and to unite with the Committee of the Societies of the Northern Baptists in a Joint Committee. It is believed that not less than six hundred messengers will go from the United States, and nearly as many from Canada. Baptist brethren in London have asked to entertain in their homes not less than 1,200 American messengers. Messengers have been appointed by every general Baptist body in the world, and the program representing every land, has been published. Even from Russia are expected messengers from both Baptist and Stundist bodies. The Joint Committee appointed as Transportation Manager Mr. J. Howard Eager, Jr., 1523 McCulloh Street, Baltimore. Blanks for credentials have been furnished by the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, which will be filled out and forwarded on application to your Committee.

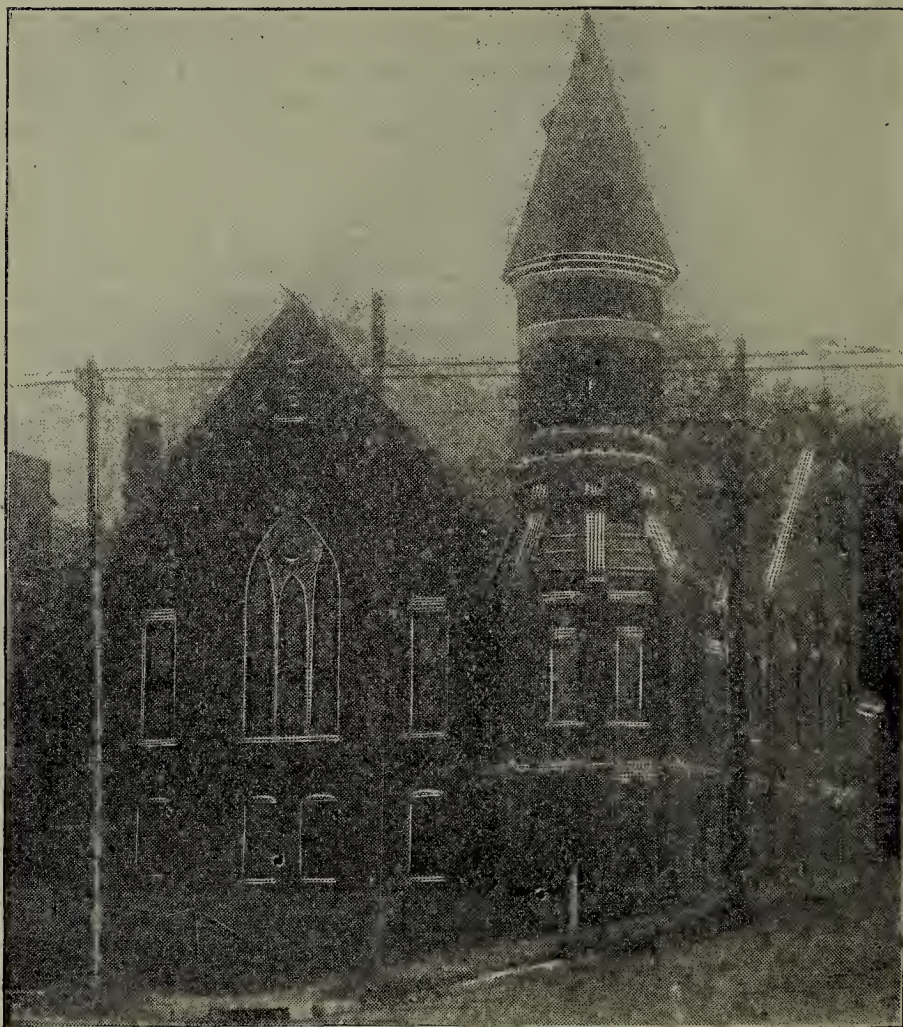
J. N. PRESTRIDGE, for Committee.

56. The following was offered by C. A. Stakely, Alabama:

Resolved, That this Convention is in sympathy with any proper movement looking to a closer fellowship of all American Baptists, and hereby appoints its officers to represent it in the deliberations of the meeting called for such a purpose in St. Louis on Tuesday, the sixteenth of the present month; provided, of course, that the said representatives shall not encourage the formation of any body that would be in conflict with existing organizations.

And on motion of W. E. Hatcher, Virginia, it was laid on the table, to be considered at the session of Monday.

57. The Convention adjourned, after prayer by A. C. Dixon, Massachusetts.



OLIVE STREET CHURCH, KANSAS CITY.

THIRD DAY, THE SABBATH.

58. Various appointments for preaching at churches of the city and adjacent towns were filled by brethren in attendance upon the Convention.

59. The Convention assembled at 3 o'clock in the great auditorium of the city to appropriately note the decease

during the year of several distinguished brethren who had borne official relations to the body. President E. W. Stephens was in the chair. J. E. White, Georgia, led in prayer.

60. Addresses were made by J. F. Love, Arkansas, relative to J. P. Eagle, President of the preceding Convention; A. J. S. Thomas, South Carolina, relative to James A. Hoyt, at one time a Vice President; and W. E. Hatcher, Virginia, relative to C. C. Meador, at one time a Vice President.

61. A discourse was then delivered by A. C. Dixon, Massachusetts, based on Proverbs 11: 30.

62. After prayer by J. J. Taylor, Kentucky, the Convention adjourned.

FOURTH DAY, MORNING SESSION.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, May 15, 1905.

63. The Convention reassembled at 9 o'clock, and was led in prayer by D. B. Ray, Oklahoma.

64. The journal was read and confirmed.

65. Geo. Hillyer, Georgia, from the committee read the following report on

Proposed Change of Name.

Although some of the members of your Committee are of opinion that certain changes in the organic law of the Convention, such as have been under discussion, are desirable; yet the whole Committee are convinced that a majority of the Convention do not desire such changes; certainly not at this time; and that debate in the body would be fruitless.

We, therefore, ask to be excused from further consideration of the subject, and that the Committee be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. HILLYER,
J. J. TAYLOR,
WILLIAM E. HATCHER,
C. A. STAKELY.

In considering the report it was on motion of T. T. Eaton, Kentucky,

Resolved, That the Chair appoint some one to present at the next meeting of the Convention the Preamble to the Constitution so amended as to conform to the facts.

J. N. Prestridge, Kentucky, was so appointed.

66. On motion of W. W. Landrum, Georgia, it was

Resolved, That this Convention recognizes with pleasure the work done by the Louisville Baptist women in support of the Training School and in the maintenance of a home for women workers attending the Seminary in Louisville. We also rejoice in the recent action of the Women's Missionary Union favorable to this noble enterprise, and most heartily commend the Home and Training School to the sympathy and support of all our Baptist people, and especially to our Baptist women.

67. The Committee on Nominations reported through Preston Blake, Kentucky, the list of officers and members of the Boards, as contained on pages 2 and 3 of these Proceedings.

68. A communication from a Committee of the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church with reference to Sabbath Observance was presented, and ordered to be referred to a committee for consideration and reply. The Committee was subsequently announced to consist of G. A. Nunnally, Georgia; J. N. Prestridge, Kentucky; J. J. Hurt, Arkansas; E. E. Folk, Tennessee; T. P. Bell, Georgia; J. H. Gambrell, Texas; F. W. Barnett, Alabama; J. C. Armstrong, Missouri; S. M. Brown, Missouri; A. J. S. Thomas, South Carolina; Bruce Benton, Louisiana; I. J. Van Ness, Tennessee; T. T. Eaton, Kentucky.

69. The order of the day being the Report of the Home Mission Board, J. F. Love, Arkansas, presented the report of the Committee on

Frontier Missions.

Under this caption let us take a review of our present inheritance west of the Mississippi—Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Indian Territory, and Oklahoma. These States and territories embrace an area of 622,745 square miles, or just a little less than double the size of the original thirteen States of the American Union. In a comparison of productive acres and natural resources the contrast is more important still. Deducting the numerous lakes, untillable mountains and swamps and sterile sand ridges, which diminish and depreciate the productive value of the first States, the frontier doubles them again. This territory of the Southwest is the richest portion of this continent in the natural strength and productiveness of the soil, the extent and variety of its subterranean stores, and in mineral and livestock. Speaking soberly, its undeveloped resources are marvelous and unparalleled. Wealth has at least a two-fold significance considered from the standpoint of religious economics; its evangelizing value if consecrated by Christian ownership to the cause of Christ, and as a magnet which draws to itself great aggregations of human beings, thus creating opportunities, facilitating missionary operations and fixing obligations for their salvation. These facts are demonstrated in the Southwest. The original States of the Union had at the time of their confedera-

tion 2,945,000, the growth of more than one hundred and fifty years. The territory under review increases its population by just about those figures every ten years. Even with our knowledge of the possibilities which were lodged in that original territory and population of the Union, who can measure the importance and forecast the magnitude of the Southwestern problem? We should be warned against small plans and inadequate remedies. The Southwest is great in its mere physical and numerical aspects. In all phases it is vast and manifold. Problems amplify, horizons broaden, and vision lengthens as you move westward.

But what religious appeal does this situation make to Southern Baptists? The vast majority of this population is unsaved, and the number is being increased day by day, week by week in an unbroken procession. Every night is disturbed and every day is enlivened by the immigrant's train. Bent on getting rich, and unrestrained by home ties and familiar association, the tendency of these newcomers is to worldliness and sin. Many of them are coming into districts totally destitute of all religious services, and thousands are locating in towns and creating towns where no Baptist preacher's voice ever broke the rural stillness or hushed the tumult of profanity, barter, and carousal. In Missouri, we are told, there are already one hundred railroad towns of importance destitute of Baptist preaching. There are probably fifty in Arkansas, some of them county seats, and others young and growing rapidly, while others are being started before we can enter those already built. In Louisiana there are twenty-two towns with a population from one thousand to six thousand without Baptist churches; there are twenty-four parish (county) seats without Baptist churches. In a population of approximately 1,500,000 there are but sixteen Baptist churches which are able to support pastors for full time. So vast is the destitution in great Texas, notwithstanding our quarter million Baptists, the missionary corps has not been able to survey it. Dr. B. H. Carroll says there are "solid sections of unbroken destitution as large as other States." The Indian Territory, with a population of about 450,000, has but 30,000 Baptists in its churches, nearly one-third of which number have been added through missionary labor in the past four years. Oklahoma, with about 500,000 population, has 18,000 Baptists. Thousands of unsaved Indians still make the appeal to our Home Board, which in the early years of its history called forth the heartiest response from Southern Baptists and impelled weeping prophets, like Elias Dodson, to travel, pray, and plead night and day. If it was ever our duty to save Indians, it has not ceased to be our duty.

Oklahoma and the Indian Territory has each two hundred churches without houses of worship, a condition which exists in varying degree throughout the Southwest, it being estimated that Texas alone has one thousand five hundred homeless churches.

This territory west of the Mississippi presents to the Convention and its Home Mission Board a need and an opportunity more urgent and more inviting than ever confronted Southern Baptists in the sixty years of the Convention's history. The

Home Mission Board is a strong arm which Southern Baptists can, if they will, reach out to ease this burden from the shoulders of their loyal brethren in the Southwest who are being crushed by the grave responsibilities of the hour, and in cooperation with these give the cup of salvation to thousands who, without this timely help, are doomed to inevitable and eternal death.

J. F. LOVE,
 J. W. LOVING,
 J. C. STALCUP,
 J. M. CARROLL,
 W. S. PENICK,
 L. W. MARKS,
 C. C. SLAUGHTER.

70. D. W. Key, South Carolina, read the report of the Committee on

Mountain Missions and Schools.

The church and the school, the preacher and the teacher are inseparable allies. Regeneration and education are primal needs of every individual. Modern intellectualism and industrialism are two of the strongest currents of life, felt throughout the world. The best service of each for all demands the sanest, fullest development of the whole man, and no man can reach completeness without rebirth. First life, then light for every one and forever. In our denominational work we welcome and seek to save the ignorant, but we seek to destroy ignorance. We should not be too easily satisfied with our educational services. We seek an educational system that is not provincial, not fractional, not factional. The Home Board enters this field in a limited way with a view to strengthening mission work in our mountain territory. This mountain section of our Southland is good foraging ground for our colleges in quest of students and for the theological seminaries and churches in search of ministerial students and preachers. No discrimination is made against the other sections, and a like service would be undertaken in Florida or any other section of the Southland offering opportunities like those of the mountain regions.

The chiefest school work has been confined to Kentucky, with its six schools, Tennessee with three, and North Carolina with nine schools, the total enrollment of students being 4,000, with 79 teachers. There are two schools in Georgia, one in Alabama, under the supervision of the State Boards, and one is just now being adopted in South Carolina.

Your Committee notes with pleasure the efficiency of the supervisory work of Bro. A. E. Brown, several of the schools increasing their buildings and equipment during the year. Some new schools have been established under his aggressive leadership.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend:

1. That care be exercised to avoid establishing and fostering schools in such proximity to each other as to cause hurtful rivalry.

2. That the superintendent of the system concentrate his work upon a particular field with wise continuity until definite results have been obtained, thus preventing dissipation of effort over several fields in too rapid succession.

3. That each school be fostered in close alliance with a local church or churches, thus strengthening their mutual interests.

4. The Bible teaching and spiritual influences be earnestly and insistently maintained with the purpose of leading the students to a saving knowledge of Christ, and to their growth in Christian character.

5. That the schools be directed as rapidly as possible towards higher standards, and towards uniformity throughout the system.

D. W. KEY,
R. G. PATRICK,
M. D. JEFFRIES,
H. H. HIBBS,
W. B. MCGARRITY,
J. C. MAPLE,
B. W. SPILMAN.

71. P. I. Lipsey, Mississippi, presented the report of the Committee on

Cuba and New Fields.

Our experience in Cuba has taught us that it is not by might nor by power; that we are not to put our trust in princes; that there must be divisions that the approved may be made manifest, and that our help cometh from Jehovah.

In the best way we have been given an opportunity to prove ourselves neighbor to him that fell among thieves. That we have done it worthily would be too much to claim; that we have poured in the oil and wine may be true; that we have bound up his wounds, and putting him on our own beast have carried him to a place of safety, but he is still in the hospital and we must stand by him until he can stand on his own feet.

This much has been done: Thirty-one churches and stations have been supplied with workers; thirty-three missionaries are employed; ninety-five received by baptism last year, twenty-three by letter; three new churches organized, eleven new Sunday schools; three lots secured for churches; three more mission stations opened in Havana, and three new missionaries sent. There is immediate requirement for more houses of worship.

The following items quicken our faith and appeal to us for support:

1. The Board is preparing for the opening of a Baptist school or college in Havana, also a seminary for the training of native

preachers. For this purpose the large building belonging to the Board furnishes ample accommodation for a good beginning, and Missionary McCall has begun work with this in view. These are a necessary equipment for permanent work.

2. Another move which has become a necessity is to establish a denominational paper. We count this an absolute necessity in our own land. It is no less so on the mission field.

3. Already accomplished is the organization on the island of a Convention of our Baptist Churches. This will strengthen the hands of the brethren by co-operation, appeal to their self-respect, give them confidence in themselves, enable them sooner to become self-supporting and furnish a channel and motive to world-wide evangelization.

4. An unlooked for and unprecedented opportunity for missionary work is opened to us in the going of Miss Morris as missionary to deaf mutes in the island; a class hitherto wholly neglected in Cuba. She has a common ground of sympathy that gives her access to people and homes open to no others. The Lord grant that her own privation may result in the furtherance of the gospel.

5. We account it one of the surest evidences of the Spirit's guidance that the Home Board is opening new fields in this department of its work. Nothing is more in harmony with the spirit of Jesus and purpose of the gospel than enlargement. Nothing, we believe, is more pleasing to God or appeals more powerfully to his people, than lengthening the cords and extending the limits of our work. It was a Godsend when the field of work in Cuba opened to us and thrilled us with its call and prospects. And now that the work extends to the Isle of Pines, and along the Canal Zone in Panama, we hail it as a great opportunity, and hear in it a new call of God to immediate entrance and larger endeavor.

P. I. LIPSEY,
G. A. NUNNALLY,
W. B. CRUMPTON.

72. C. A. Stakely, Alabama, presented the report of the Committee on

Work Among the Negroes.

For obvious reasons the most difficult work which the Convention has in hand is that which it is doing through the Home Mission Board. It lacks the romantic interest that naturally inheres in the foreign work, and it is wanting also in the specifically local interest that attaches to State missions. As a consequence, it has had to push its way along between these two important fields without the stimulus of either, but it ought not to be regarded as without a characteristic motive of its own. If what is romantic in missions is as a rule in the foreign field, and what is local is in the State field, what is patriotic is certainly for the most part in the field covered by the Home Board. The horizon of this Board does not lower this side the confines of our vast Southern country, and extends southward beyond the

waters of the Carribean Sea, and in the nature of the case its Secretary, who has in hand the execution of its policies, must be a patriot and a statesman no less than a Christian. And our people behind him should reach up to the same stature.

Now, of the important work of this Board everywhere, and always calling for breadth of view, for wisdom, sympathy, and tact, no part is so difficult as that among the negroes. The Board is to be commended heartily for the work here that it has already done. The appointment since the last Convention of Dr. A. J. Barton as Field Secretary and Superintendent of the negro work has resulted, we believe, in stirring up wherever he has labored a new and permanent interest in this department of the Board's activities. We believe that in the language of the annual report, "The wisdom of the Board in appointing Dr. Barton to the superintendency has been abundantly justified by the zeal and tact with which he has labored." We are confident that the details of such a work can safely be left to the wisdom of the Board.

It is not the fault of the Board, but of our people, that we are not doing a tithe of what ought to be done for the black populations of the South. Indeed, we are only playing at the business, and it is hardly respectable playing at that. Southern Baptists ought to be expending for mission work among the negroes of the South more money annually than they are now contributing to all the objects of the Board. The tens should become hundreds, the hundreds thousands, and the thousands hundreds of thousands. No nation will be born to us in a day in Africa until we have learned to be generous towards the negroes at home. They are here in the South, they are here by the millions, and they are here to stay; their evangelization should be regarded by us as especially the burden of Southern Baptists. More than any other people we are going to be held accountable for their Christianization. Let us be true to what is evidently a God-imposed trust.

CHARLES A. STAKELY, Chairman,
J. WM. JONES,
J. T. CHRISTIAN.

73. In the consideration of these reports the Convention was addressed by J. F. Love, Arkansas; G. M. Harrell, Indian Territory; M. P. Hunt, Missouri; J. M. Carroll, Texas; J. W. McKean, Wyoming; S. F. Thompson, Kentucky; C. W. Daniel, Cuba.

74. The report of the Committee on Administration, Work and Outlook of the Home Board was read by J. B. Gambrell, Texas, as follows:

The object of this Convention is to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of the Baptists of the South especially in one sacred

effort to spread the gospel of salvation throughout the whole world. Three Boards have been established through which and by which our people may co-operate to the accomplishment of this one broad, comprehensive purpose. The Sunday School Board works at the very beginning, touching the child life and leading on to conversion and into the ever-widening stream of denominational life.

The Foreign Board works in the regions beyond, even to the uttermost parts of the earth. The place of the Home Board is between these two, making the work of the Sunday School Board effective by preaching the gospel, the planting and training of churches, and making foreign missions possible by opening and keeping open sources of supply. Of course, it is not meant to say that nothing on these lines is done or can be done except through these agencies. The State Boards might, in a way, do it all, provide literature for Sunday schools, do mission work on their respective fields, and send missionaries abroad. Some associations might do the same, even some churches might. But the wisdom of the broader co-operation has been so abundantly demonstrated as to be now entirely beyond debate with informed minds.

This Convention has set its Home Board to a task colossal in proportions and transcendently important in its bearings on the destiny of our homeland and of the whole world. If that task shall be successfully accomplished by the co-operation of the great brotherhood, under the guidance of that Spirit whose divine help we crave, in two decades Southern Baptists will be an incomparable force afield on every part of the globe, subduing the lost world to the reign of its rightful Lord.

The work, to meet the demands of the field, must needs go on many different lines, and lend itself freely to the varied wants of different States and sections, races, tribes, and tongues. But it must all move to the consummation of one purpose, the enlightenment, enlistment, and training of a unified force for world conquest. The true meaning of Home Missions is world missions, and he who sees less is blind and cannot see afar off.

The mountain school work is mission work in a very concentrated form. The Baptists have a gold mine in the mountains richer than all the mines in South Africa, which brought on the Boer war. God has given us the people there, and this is itself a call to make them effective for service to the ends of the earth.

We are fairly beyond debate on the question of education as a mission method. Henceforth the contention is to be settled by ever-enlarging demonstrations of efficiency.

The work among the negroes presses on us. The negro has been a favorite subject for much academic discussion. He is by nature a very plain sinner, needing the gospel, and, when converted, needing training. We believe the whole matter of dealing with the negro should be left to the wisdom of the Board, as we leave the other races and tribes among us to be cared for, being sure that methods must be flexible and multiform.

The many-sided work committed to the care of our Home Board puts on it an immense burden of administration. To provide for this in an adequate manner is the truest economy and the highest wisdom. Mismanagement of our school interests has cost us, perhaps, half of all we have ever given to Christian

education. The Board is wise to give to its schools intelligent supervision. The same is true of the several branches of the work. To skimp in administrative force is to waste. Besides, let it be borne in mind that the Secretaries are themselves missionaries to the churches, and missions to the churches are as apostolic as missions to the heathen.

The Outlook.

In the providence of God we have come to an hour when wisdom calls on us to deliberate carefully and decide upon a wise policy for the future. In a way planned by no man we have been for six decades, to a degree, shut off in a kind of backwater, lying on the border of the rushing stream of national life. Immigration has followed the lines of the parallels of latitude, moving from the East to the West. This has delayed the development of the South. We have been left to ourselves mainly. Only to a limited extent has the South felt the financial gain and religious strain of foreign peoples among us. For two centuries the field has been open to evangelism among whites and blacks. And with holy zeal the fathers evangelized. They also baptized much. We have, therefore, within our borders the rise of 3,000,000 baptized people, mostly untrained. There is going on now an irresistible work of reconstruction affecting the South in all its interests. The sturdy rural population, the glory of the past, is moving in a silent, steady, irresistible stream to the towns and cities. The industries of the homes a few decades back are being transferred to factories. The cities are becoming in the South, as everywhere, the dominating forces of our semi-civilization. The native population, leaving the rural districts, opens the way for the inflood of a new population, coming from every land under the heavens. And they are coming. The milder climate, and the proximity of raw material of every kind, are determining factors in the planting of an ever-increasing number of factories of every sort on our soil. The certainty of the early completion of the Isthmian canal, under the leadership of our broadminded and strenuous President, is rapidly building a Southern commercial front to the country, and is reconstructing the railroad systems of the continent. Through the inter-oceanic canal the South is nearest to the Orient. All tides are turning our way. The South must be great whether we wish it to be or not. The resistless currents of trade and travel running north and south will obliterate Mason's and Dixon's line. Sectionalism will die. The South will come out of the backwater, and with her vast wealth, her virile Anglo-Saxon spirit, her New Testament orthodoxy and fervent evangelism will enrich the national life beyond the dreams of the fathers. And as America from now onward must largely influence the world and march in the vanguard of civilization, these 3,000,000 and more Baptists in the South, aroused, trained, unified, and properly led must be the most powerful force on earth for completing in all lands the work God has given us to do.

But to meet our obligations to our home field, to America, and to the whole world, we must seize and hold the cities, train our people to purposes and plans as broad as Christ's mission to lost humanity, and develop the churches to meet the ever-in-

creasing demands for enlargement. Not since the rise of the Papacy has God given the Baptists such an opportunity. We can throw it away by a weak, vacillating, insufficient policy. If we go to the roots of the thing by training and unifying this mighty host of Baptists, facing them outwards and hurling them on the lost world, only a prophet can foretell the glory of the next quarter of a century. If we fail at home, we sink into impotency the world over. Your Committee believes that if this Convention is to hold and mold this great plastic, growing situation, and use it for all the purposes of New Testament progress, it must do it through the Home Board. We have confidence in the Board and its Secretary. We recommend a large increase in contributions to the foundation and constructive work of the churches through this Board, mindful of this fact, that a dollar given to this part of the work is given almost or quite as much to foreign missions and all missions. The situation is extremely urgent, for if we lose our lead in the next ten or twenty years, it is certain we will not regain it in one hundred years, if ever. Respectfully submitted,

J. B. GAMBRELL, for the Committee.

It was ordered that the above report be published and distributed by the Home Board in tract form.

Addresses were made by J. B. Gambrell, Texas; B. D. Gray, Georgia; and by various brethren touching increase of contributions to Home Missions; during the discussion the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the Home Mission Board should greatly enlarge its work during the coming year, and the churches should contribute to this part of our work \$250,000 to sustain the advance.

Resolved, That the Home Board be requested to apportion the \$250,000 according to their best judgment, and ask the several States to raise the amounts named.

The reports were then adopted.

75. The resolution offered by C. A. Stakely, Alabama, item 56 was taken up and adopted.

76. The Convention then adjourned, after prayer by S. K. Ford, Missouri.

FOURTH DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION.

77. The Convention met at 2:30 o'clock, and was led in prayer by M. McGee, South Carolina.

78. J. M. Shellburn, Alabama, presented the following report on

The Reports of the Vice Presidents.

The position of Vice President, as contemplated in the By-laws, is a place of not a little significance. If the Vice President is to answer for the connection between our Boards and the State organizations; if through him frequent and adequate distribution of information among the people must be made; if he must co-operate with the Boards, both giving and receiving suggestions as to the work to be done; if at the close of each Convention year the Vice President must give an account of his stewardship, then he must be something more than an airy nothing having a local habitation and a name.

Returns from Vice Presidents have been discouragingly small—out of a possible fifty only fourteen have been received. To say that these officials are negligent or fail to appreciate their opportunity would perhaps not be the whole truth, but something needs to be said at this point. Certainly no brother should consent to occupy this position unless his interest in the work will prompt him to use his best endeavor to forward the interests of the Boards.

The reports received indicate the great possibilities of usefulness which attach to this office. By representing the work of the Boards in denominational gatherings, by presenting the needs and plans of the Boards to the people through the denominational papers, by the distribution of tracts, by conducting special missionary meetings, and by all other proper means creating a missionary sentiment in their respective States, these brethren may, and many of them do, perform a very effective service for the cause.

J. M. SHELburnE, Alabama;
W. F. WATSON, North Carolina;
E. T. MOBERLEY, Mississippi;
MILFORD RIGGS, Missouri.

The report was adopted.

79. E. E. Folk, Tennessee, presented the following, which was adopted:

Inasmuch as the Fourth of July has become too often a day of drunkenness, debauchery, and noise, instead of a day for in-

culcating the principles of a lofty patriotism as the founders of the Republic intended it should be, and

Inasmuch as the American Anti-Saloon League, the agency of the federated churches on the liquor question, has inaugurated a movement to make it a day for patriotic temperance demonstration throughout the country; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That we call upon our churches, Sabbath schools, and young peoples' societies everywhere to join with other religious organizations and temperance bodies in every community for a legitimate and wholesome celebration where patriotic temperance addresses shall be delivered, and appropriate and inspiring music rendered.

80. A. J. S. Thomas, South Carolina, read the following report from a committee appointed at the preceding session (1904, item 36) on

Evangelism.

At the last annual session of this Convention Bro. Len G. Broughton offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That the Convention appoint a committee of twelve pastors, not members of any Convention Board, to be known as the Committee on Evangelism for the Needy Sections of our Convention Territory;

2. That this committee, in co-operation with the Secretaries of our Boards, shall employ a general evangelist, who shall also be the Secretary of the Committee;

3. That said evangelist shall, in addition to his evangelistic work, gather statistics, disseminate information and call to his aid such help and helpers as the Committee may approve;

4. That the co-operation of State Boards be secured as far as possible, where work is to be done in needy and destitute fields;

5. That the salary of the general evangelist be paid by the three Boards of the Convention, and other expenses, including the salaries of special evangelists, be arranged for by the field or co-operating board;

6. That collections be taken at every meeting held by the evangelists for the work of the Evangelistic Committee;

7. That annual reports be made to the State Boards in all the States where work has been done;

8. That the Committee also report annually to the Convention.

By unanimous consent the resolutions were referred to a committee of five to report to this Convention. Soon after the meeting of the last Convention a communication was addressed to the members of the Committee for the purpose of ascertaining their views. A communication was also addressed to the several State mission secretaries with inquiries as to what special evangelistic work was being undertaken in their respective States; whether a State evangelist, or evangelists were employed; as to results reached, and as to the general estimate of the work accomplished. We ascertained that in some States

evangelists are employed with most satisfactory results, in other States the missionaries of the State Boards are considered evangelists and are doing good work. All of the replies showed an unusual degree of interest in the work of evangelism, an expressed desire for its enlargement, with the belief that more could be accomplished in immediate and far-reaching results. We have not found any general conviction in favor of a separate board and secretary to be appointed to take charge of this as a special and distinct department of our work. Your Committee therefore has not deemed it wise to recommend the appointment of the committee of twelve and a paid secretary called for in the resolutions quoted above. In making this report, however, we feel sure that the subject is worthy of the attention and consideration of this Convention, and we submit more at length the following:

It is manifest to all that there has come about an awakened interest in the subject of evangelistic work. There is an atmosphere of evangelism. By evangelism we mean no new thing. It has been recognized and felt through all these years—special efforts, earnest preaching, and private personal work, which has for its end the salvation of the lost and the edification of the saved—that edification which has as its aim the better, fuller, more complete equipment of the individual member of the church; edification from an intelligent, spiritual, Biblical bottom. The world needs a more earnest purpose on the part of pastors and churches to press home upon the sinner immediate decision, submitting to the Lordship of Christ, trusting to the value of his atonement, believing in the power of his resurrection, accepting his terms of discipleship and then being trained into loving service for his Lord. This is not a new doctrine, but it is something which seems to be getting hold of many of God's people with greater force. There must, of course, be made the distinction between the evangelism which is needed, and that which has gained a reputation. There is a great difference between the real God-sent evangelist, and the peripatetic, non-responsible traveler whose sound is heard but whose affiliations and connections are as uncertain as the doctrines he preaches. The pure and true New Testament evangelism greatly needs a larger place in our lives and work today because of the widely prevalent, vague, and superficial views on the subject.

That this special work of evangelism is receiving much more attention than formerly is evident in the frequent and prominent discussion of it in the newspapers, magazines, and reviews. Scarcely a week passes but may be found in some of the public prints soul-stirring articles from thoughtful pastors and others on evangelistic methods and preaching. Not only so, but the new books on this subject show that there is new interest and an increasing demand for published thought; such books as Torrey's "How to Organize and Promote a Great Revival," and "The Soul-Winner—How to Bring Men to Christ," Riley's "Perennial Revival," Broughton's "Soul-Winning Church," and Campbell Morgan's "Evangelicism." Men who have tried it, and who have been blessed in their work, are telling others how to reach the individual. Thousands of others might bless the world if they would more frequently tell their brethren how the Spirit has used them and their messages to bring men to immediate decis-

ion and sent them forth to tell others "how great things the Lord hath done for them."

That this work of evangelism is receiving awakened attention is seen also in the organized agencies already at work, with marvelous results. For instance, the Northfield work and its evangelists, and the Evangelistic Committee of the Northern Presbyterians. This latter organization, with Rev. Wilbur Chapman as Secretary and general evangelist, is doing a vast work in awakening general interest and in adding members to their churches and in developing the membership. They show an increase of 12,000 members through this agency within the past year. The Baptists of London have organized their Baptist Evangelistic Society and the active campaign has already begun. We have heard of recent evangelization agencies in some of the Southern cities among the business men of the several evangelical denominations. The Baptists of America have no special evangelistic agency, as such, and this fact, and the further fact that they have always been blessed with men of evangelistic gifts in a remarkable degree may help to explain how it comes about that there are some among us who are seriously considering today whether it is not time to bring together into some kind of organization those brethren who are adapted by nature and by grace to this special work. There are men so gifted, some of whom are already wholly given to this form of service. There are others gifted with the evangelistic spirit and qualifications, and they only need to be drawn out and properly directed and sent forth backed up by some agency of the denomination. There are men of means too who are willing to make special contributions for this work in addition to what they are doing for missions and benevolence in other directions. Special evangelistic work will appeal to very many of our business men, and experience has already proven that it receives from them a liberal support. It is altogether probable that we shall soon have to consider the wisdom of a separate, distinct evangelistic agency; not only to emphasize the thought, but also to press the work in connection with the regular organizations that we now have. Some of our brethren who wish aggressive and organized evangelistic work, urge, "if the time will ever come to do definite work in this direction, that hour has struck; that there never has been such a demand for evangelistic work as now; that we ought to read and heed the signs of the times; that the work of evangelism in the Southern Baptist Convention is not in 'destitute' regions, those places our State Boards are caring for, that the need is a wise movement to free the hands of able pastor-evangelists, accredited men, who can meet the demands of our cities, and strong churches in towns and villages; that our churches in cities, towns, and villages need the reinforcement of strong evangelists." One of these city pastors says: "As Baptists we are not strong enough in cities and towns, and we seldom gain anything in inter-denominational meetings, but generally lose. Our city churches could be increased twenty-five per cent within two years in Baptist union meetings directed by some great Baptist evangelist."

Your Committee would not have the impression created that we are ignorant of what is being done in special evangelistic work in the several States connected with the Convention. Much

is being done by the missionaries of the Home Board and the several State Mission Boards, especially in destitute regions and in mission fields. We have every reason to believe that this will continue and even be enlarged. Our correspondence with the State Mission Secretaries was in every way encouraging and gratifying. We find that they are giving much attention to evangelism. They are seeking men who have special gifts in this kind of work. One of these Secretaries writes: "Our State Board has employed men who give their entire time to holding meetings in that season of the year in which such meetings are usually held, and their work has been very satisfactory to the Board. We pay them a stipulated salary. They are expected to aid in the dissemination of knowledge concerning our work of State, Home, and Foreign Missions, and in every practicable way assist in moving the churches to will to do greater things. If there is a more excellent way I shall be glad to adopt it." Another Secretary writes, that in his State "has been inaugurated an evangelistic corps of missionaries. These men are directed to labor in destitute sections. They are required to report monthly, to give a detailed statement of each meeting, the attendance, general statement of the religious condition of the section, what religious influences are at work, the number of days of meetings, with the results. We have found that this evangelistic work appeals very strongly to business men, and so we have been enabled to get special pledges from different business men to support these evangelists." Another Secretary writes: "We are beyond the experimental stage with evangelists. We have called them general missionaries for years. These men have been selected with reference to their abilities to give the churches a strong uplift for work, also with reference to their evangelistic gifts. Their work has been for years most gratifying in results. They have gone to many churches run down, held good meetings, and while the welding heat was on have brought them into the front ranks for progress, and collected more than their salaries. The Board has determined to greatly enlarge this work, and we are just now entering upon an evangelistic campaign which we hope will enlist the pastors and create a great forward movement. There is no question as to the value of the movement or its Scripturalness either, the only question is the proper direction of it." Another Secretary urges the necessity of reviving pastoral evangelism, and the importance of developing more of evangelistic preaching among the pastors, and adds: "I have often employed a brother to go to a destitute point or pastorless church and hold a meeting which resulted in saving a weak church or the organization of a new one. Let the question of evangelism be discussed in all our papers; it will do great good. Baptists must continue to be aggressive, or perish." Another Secretary says: "Our State has three evangelists besides missionaries who do evangelistic work in the bounds of the associations in which they work. We have a man whose special work is among mill people. He is admirably adapted to it and has accomplished great good. He collects from his meetings about two-thirds of his salary and expenses. The two remaining general evangelists frequently hold meetings with self-sustaining churches. I think we could employ several additional men with profit." Still another Sec-

retary says: "In our State from four to ten evangelists are employed; some of them by individual churches and some by the State Board. Some of the latter are colporters, but they all do the same work; hold protracted meetings with churches." Every Secretary of State Mission Work heard from laid stress upon the idea of evangelism, expressed the wish that more evangelistic work might be done by the missionaries and pastors, or special evangelists, and, whether they endorsed the Broughton resolutions or not, they fully agreed in, and realize the importance of the work.

The Southern Baptist Convention territory is an inviting field for distinct, specific, Scriptural evangelism. Perhaps there is not a more inviting field in the world at this time than the territory of this Convention for organized evangelistic agencies and effort. It is largely a Baptist territory to begin with, and the edification part of evangelism has already called into service special talents, and hence we have the Sunday school evangelists now at work, and others are needed, and are eagerly sought. The need of trained workers is felt, and we hear of training schools where workers are taught to be better equipped for soul winning and the training of those who are won. An inviting territory because of the large influx of new people, unsaved, unevangelized, people coming into the States from every nation under heaven. An inviting territory because of the rapidly changing conditions even in the communities formerly staid, fixed and conservative, the changes wrought by the partial depletion of rural districts in some sections, and the marvelous growth of the mining and mill districts; districts rapidly filling with people who may be evangelized in the truest sense. Inviting because of the growing cities, some of them for many years considered as hard fields for the Baptists, and hard because the true work of Bible evangelism was there neglected, and is there needed, viz: the triumph of the New Testament principles over the hearts and lives of the people. An inviting territory because our people have long been trained to believe in evangelistic services, and they have reaped richly from these special efforts. The statement has been made time and again, and it has not been seriously questioned, or successfully contradicted, that the majority of the members of our churches were converted under evangelistic preaching. Say what we will, our people believe in and they will continue to demand these protracted meetings, special efforts, revival services, or whatever we may be pleased to call them, and wise are we if we study the sanest and safest methods of conducting these services. We believe in these special methods to such an extent that we experience a spiritual refreshing when we read or hear of one of these blessed, old-time revivals of religion.

Surely it is not improper to give this subject of evangelistic work some special thought, and some emphasis in our meetings. It has been forcibly remarked by one of our most consecrated pastors: "There is no doubt of the fact that the evangelistic sentiment among the Baptists of the United States and Canada is widespread and strong enough to be crystalized into a great organization, but, in our judgment, there is no need of it, provided the existing societies and conventions will give to evangelism the place in their policy its importance demands." These

are wise words. It is not an unfriendly imputation, it is not an unfraternal reflection upon pastors, churches, existing agencies, and boards that some of our seers and consecrated workers have come before us asking that this great subject shall receive the annual consideration of these messengers of the churches. Believing, therefore, that it is a subject that may properly come before this Convention for special consideration, and with the wish that our hearts might become more burdened for the salvation of the lost and the edification of the saved, and that there might be a great revival wave sweeping over our land and through our churches, we respectfully recommend:

1. That this Convention appoint a special committee of five brethren whose duty it shall be to take this whole matter under advisement and into consideration, and to report at the next Convention on the "Work of Evangelism in the several States of the Convention."

2. That the committee be instructed to seek information as to the wisest methods in the work of evangelism consistent with our church polity and our denominational policy; to ascertain as far as practicable the special needs, and what is being done in the several States, as to the number of evangelists employed, where, and how employed, and as to the general results obtained; to agitate the whole subject of evangelism, and to gather any statistics in connection with the work, and any other information or intelligence touching the spiritual condition of our people, and the work of the denomination in reaching the unsaved masses at the very doors of our churches.

3. That in the prosecution of this work the committee shall solicit the co-operation of our religious newspapers, the State mission secretaries, and the secretaries of our general boards, and that these brethren be requested to render any aid they can to this committee in seeking the desired information.

4. That this committee, after a careful study of men and methods, shall feel it their privilege to discreetly recommend to inquiring pastors and churches such brethren as in their view possess the true evangelistic gifts, and who can acceptably do the work of an evangelist.

5. That it is understood that the committee in their work shall not entail any expense upon the Convention, or its boards, but that the committee is at liberty to receive any contributions that may be furnished by the friends of this cause for any necessary expenses that may be incurred in the successful prosecution of its work.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. S. THOMAS,
MILFORD RIGGS,
JOHN E. WHITE.
T. B. RAY,
W. S. RYLAND.

The Convention was addressed by L. G. Broughton, Georgia, the report was adopted.

81. The Chair announced the following as the committee called for in the foregoing report: L. G. Broughton, Georgia; G. W. Truett, Texas; W. W. Hamilton, Kentucky; W. M. Vines, Virginia; A. J. S. Thomas, South Carolina.

82. The report of the Committee on Women's Work was read and adopted as follows:

Women's Work.

While the blessings of God have rested upon all departments of our work during the past year, no department has been more signally blessed than the work by our noble, godly women. They have been untiring in their efforts, undaunted in their faith, and full of hope and good cheer. More work has been done, and larger results have followed than in any previous year in the history of the Women's Missionary Union.

The women have raised during the year in cash for—

Foreign Missions	\$ 53,678 45
Home Missions	30,698 32
Sunday School Board	417 55
In boxes for Home Mission work	41,649 23
In boxes for Sunday School work	1,456 10
For Margaret Home.....	10,000 00

Making a total of\$138,398 65

This gives them an increase of more than \$26,000.00 over their contribution for 1904—a gain of nearly twenty-five per cent.

It is worthy of notice that over \$7,000 of this money was raised from the childrens' bands. They also seek to obtain quarterly contribution from the Sunday schools for missions. Some Sunday schools make monthly contributions to missions. In this way the habit of giving to missions is formed in youth, and will develop in our people, for the future, the habit of regular and systematic giving to missions, which is sadly wanting with most of them now.

In the seventeen years of its history the Women's Missionary Union has contributed in cash and boxes to the work of this Convention, through its three boards, \$1,133,597.10. Their contributions this year are more than eight times as much as they were seventeen years ago. It is not unreasonable to say that if this work can have the proper management, in twenty years from today it will yield to the Boards of this Convention an annual income of not less than \$1,000,000.

One year ago the Union undertook the task of founding "The Margaret Home for Missionaries Children." A Christian mother, whose name is withheld, gave \$10,000 towards founding this home. After a thorough canvass of the situation the Home was founded at Greenville, S. C. A large and well equipped, house, with six acres of land, has been purchased for the Home. They

will proceed at once to furnish and install the Home. Furman University and the Greenville Female College have granted scholarships to meet the needs of such children as may come into this Home. For this generosity grateful acknowledgment is hereby made.

The objects of this Home are to furnish a home and means of education for the children of our missionaries who may die, or be so situated as not to be able otherwise to provide the proper education for their children, and to furnish a resting place for our returned missionaries. The Home is for the children of both Foreign and Home missionaries.

This noble enterprise really fills a "long-felt need," and will render a great service to the cause and denomination in the future. May the Lord raise up friends for it who will carry its work on to perfection.

With pleasure we commend the wise and efficient work of our noble women, and pray for the richest blessings of our common Lord to rest upon them and us in our common work in His great cause.

JOHN D. JORDAN, Georgia.

83. A. J. Barton, Arkansas, spoke on the work among the Negroes, supplementing the discussion of the morning.

84. W. E. Hatcher, Virginia, read the report of the Committee to which was referred the

Texarkana Convention Memorial.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Texarkana Memorial, beg respectfully to submit the following report:

1. That we have sought to give to this memorial a patient and fraternal consideration, and we feel that the Convention ought to make reply to its petitions in the spirit of brotherly kindness.

2. We beg to report to the Convention that our study of the subject-matter of this memorial forces us to the conclusion that it would not be for the best interests of the work which the Convention is seeking to do, to accede to the petitions contained in this memorial. These petitions call for action so entirely out of harmony with the principles of our organization, and the methods upon which our work is conducted, that we feel constrained to ask that they shall be denied. We feel the strongest assurance that the principles upon which the work of our Convention is organized and conducted are in accord with the teachings of God's Word, and in harmony with Baptist history, Baptist usage, and Baptist doctrine.

3. Your Committee feels it important, with a view to avoiding all misapprehension, that a statement should be made in this report in regard to the matter of inter-denominational comity. During the past Convention year the Foreign Mission Board was approached with a request that a committee should be appointed from the several denominations to which all questions of inter-denominational comity should be referred. To

this request our Board at Richmond unanimously returned a negative reply. It reserves to itself absolutely, subject to the instructions of this Convention, the whole matter of the selection of field appointment and of missionaries.

4. We beg to assure those from whom this memorial has come that we would look upon any possibility of their separation from our organized work with unfeigned regret, and trust that no such unhappy event shall ever occur. We are sure that our Baptist churches throughout the South are cordially united in their doctrinal beliefs, and in their love of our common Lord and Master, and we greatly desire, and earnestly pray, that we may all be one in purpose and one in a movement for advancing the kingdom of our Redeemer.

W. E. HATCHER,
J. H. KILPATRICK,
JNO. T. CHRISTIAN,
B. H. DEMENT,
C. H. NASH,
WM. ELLYSON.

The report was adopted, and the memorial, to which the above was an answer, ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Dear Brethren.—We, the Committee appointed by the preliminary meeting of the General Association of Baptists of the United States of America, to memorialize the Southern Baptist Convention concerning the things to which objections have been made by many churches and individuals, beg your respectful attention and careful consideration of the matters hereinafter mentioned.

We were appointed by the messengers of fifty-two Baptist Churches who met in Texarkana, Ark., March 22, and we feel certain that thousands of churches are in sympathy with what we have done. But if only one church should come with a memorial of this sort, it should be heard and its requests given careful and prayerful attention.

Our sincere desire is for peace and harmony among Baptists, but we want this peace and harmony to be on Bible principles and methods. We love peace, but we love principle better. First pure and then peaceable. Besides, we do not think we are guilty of causing the division which has been troubling our Zion. We have protested against what we honestly believe to be unscriptural principles and methods of work, and we think those who have persistently clung to those objectionable principles and methods are the cause of the division. He that drives the wedge is guilty of splitting the log.

We do not desire that any part of the work of evangelizing the world should stop, but on the other hand want to help in all Scriptural ways in this great work, and we honestly desire to work with the brethren composing the Southern Baptist Convention, and will do so if you will at this session of the Convention make the following changes in your Constitution:

First, we want the money and the associational basis of representation eliminated from the Constitution and a purely

church basis substituted instead. We believe in the churches to whom the Lord gave the commission, and that a church which is willing to co-operate should be entitled to a seat in this Convention by messenger, whether it be large or small, rich or poor, without any specified sum of money being fixed as the basis of co-operation. There is other and greater work to do than the handling of cash, and the money basis is the lowest and most unscriptural that is possible to ask Baptists to co-operate on. We can never agree to it and would rather suffer division than submit to it. The numerical basis is objectionable because such a basis carries with it the idea that the commission was given to the individual as such and not to the churches as such. Nothing short of exclusive church representation will satisfy us. We ask that you eliminate all other basis and adopt the church basis of representation.

We object to the power put into the hands of the Boards by the Convention to appoint and remove missionaries at pleasure without giving them the right to appeal to the Convention, as has been seen in some cases; we ask that this power be taken away from the Boards of the Convention.

Third, we object to the Boards being influenced or controlled by what is known as denominational comity. We think that our commission is to go into all the world, no matter who may occupy the field. We therefore object to the way in which I. N. Yohanon and Said M. Jureidini have been set aside. These men are well qualified for their work and no objection has ever been raised to their going to their fields, so far as we can learn, except a letter of protest from a Presbyterian Secretary, and after that for some reason Yohanon was set aside. We cannot agree to that sort of a thing, and we would rather suffer division than to do it. But since denominational comity is not necessary to Baptist success, the Convention can easily right that wrong. If the Foreign Mission Board has not been guilty of this thing it can be made unmistakably plain by that Board being instructed to open mission work in Persia and Syria, and by its obeying its instructions.

Fourth, some of us object to many other matters of detail concerning the methods of the Convention and its Boards, but we are willing for the sake of peace and harmony among Baptists to waive these objections; we are willing to meet you half way, yea, more than half way for the sake of peace and harmony among the Baptist host. Will you do as much? We are not asking that any part of the work stop, but instead we are asking you to so arrange matters that more workers can be induced to enter the work that better work may be done.

Fifth, we attach hereto a copy of our statement of principles and methods of work. We do not ask that you adopt these in full, but send it with this communication so that you may see that we, while we ask you to concede two or three points for the sake of harmony and peace, are really conceding more than we ask you to concede. We are not asking you to make all the concessions; we are willing to meet you as brethren on half-way ground. At the same time we are stating the least we can ask of you. If you reject this at this session we shall consider that we have done our duty and shall trouble you no more.

We bid you God speed in every good work, and ask you to prayerfully consider our request.

B. M. BOGARD,
 J. B. SELLMAN,
 J. K. P. WILLIAMS,
 J. T. TUCKER,
 A. J. ROBINS,
 J. H. KUYKENDALL,
 J. Y. FREEMAN.

85. J. A. French, Texas, from the Committee on

Time and Preachers of Next Session,

reported, recommending that the Convention meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 10th, 1906; that W. R. L. Smith, of Virginia, be appointed to preach the Convention sermon, and that O. F. Gregory, of Alabama, be his alternate.

J. J. TAYLOR,
 S. B. ROGERS,
 A. E. BROWN,
 J. H. WRIGHT,
 W. E. PETTUS,
 J. A. FRENCH,
 G. W. HATCHER,
 H. W. TRIBBLE,
 H. BEAUCHAMP.

86. The Committee on Enrollment, through W. C. Golden, Tennessee, reported the list of names found in State lists, together with those reported from Associations to the Secretaries as the enrollment of messengers to this Convention.

87. On motion of M. P. Hunt, Missouri, it was

Resolved, That in view of the work being done in the Baptist Women's Missionary Training School, located at Dallas, Texas, and now in successful operation, this Convention welcomes its coming, and sees in it the providence of God for the forwarding of the Kingdom. The increasing opportunities and demands for trained women in missionary activities, at home and abroad, makes this work imperative.

88. On motion of T. C. Skinner, Maryland, it was

Resolved, That the Secretaries of this Convention be instructed to print and distribute ten thousand copies of the

Annual, and that they receive one hundred dollars each as compensation for their services.

Resolved, That they be authorized to correct the Minutes of today without reading.

89. The Convention adjourned, with prayer by A. U. Boone, Tennessee.

FOURTH DAY, EVENING SESSION.

90. The Convention met at 8 o'clock, and was led in prayer by J. W. Millard, Georgia.

91. On motion of J. H. Kilpatrick, Georgia, it was ordered that final adjournment should occur at the hour of ten this evening, the last fifteen minutes to be devoted to farewell exercises.

92. On motion of T. T. Eaton, Kentucky, a committee was ordered to procure some suitable testimonial in commemoration of the completion of twenty-five successive years of the services of the secretaries of the Convention. The Committee was made to consist of T. T. Eaton, Kentucky; M. J. Breaker, Missouri; J. M. Frost, Tennessee.

93. The following resolution offered by T. C. Skinner, Maryland, was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due, and are hereby cordially tendered, to the Baptists of Kansas City for their kindness in arranging for our entertainment; to the other citizens of Kansas City for contributing generously toward this entertainment; to the press of the city for its reports of the proceedings of the Convention; to the various railroad lines for reduced rates in attending the Convention; to the hotels and boarding houses of the city for reduction in their regular rates, and for other courtesies.

94. On motion of M. B. Adams, Kentucky, it was

Resolved, That ten messengers be appointed by the President of the Convention to represent the Convention at the next session of the American Anti-Saloon League.

The deputation was made to consist of M. B. Adams, Kentucky; E. E. Folk, Tennessee; B. G. Lowrey, Mississippi; A. C. Avery, Missouri; W. B. Crumpton, Alabama; J. W. Bailey, North Carolina; B. H. Carroll, Texas; S. C. Mitchell, Virginia; L. G. Broughton, Georgia; C. V. Edwards, Louisiana.

95. Howard L. Jones, Tennessee, read the following report on

Cities and Foreigners.

For a number of years the annual report of our Home Board has emphasized the importance of this Convention, more seriously addressing itself to the problem of the cities. Closely allied, if not a part of the city problem, is the immigration problem. The foreigners are not seeking, as once they did, when Germany furnished the largest number of immigrants, the fertile fields of the West, but are mobilizing the most undesirable elements of the populations of the world in the cities of America.

He is blind indeed who does not see that the growth of America is a growth of cities. The growth of cities means the growth of poverty, intemperance, and every kind of vice. The ancient prophetic warning flames with modern urgency: "Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field, till there be no spaces." The modern city is the most sinister threat to spiritual religion which our civilization holds. On the other hand, to win the modern city, is to win the world.

We of the South have great advantages in attacking this problem. Our cities, for the most part, are cities in the making, and are to realize their greatest growth within the next fifteen years. If we are ever to do anything worthy of our great denomination, now is the time. To wait longer, will be to repeat a folly which has cost Baptists their supremacy in at least five great American cities, where we can hardly be reckoned as at all influential among the forces of righteousness. These failures in great centers of population are an open book to us and should arouse a zeal which shall be tempered by our best wisdom.

Your Committee submits two suggestions:

(1) The Home Board should be encouraged and expected to be more than an agency for the collection and distribution of funds. It should, in its advisory capacity, initiate, encourage, and stimulate statesmanlike plans for the strengthening and building of our interests in cities. Broad plans in harmony with our polity should be formulated, conditions should be looked into, statistics gathered and suggestions made. Local organizations, looking to the quickening of a denominational consciousness in each city, should be encouraged. If necessary, some representative of the Home Board, thoroughly familiar with the problem of city work, the history of city mission work in America, and the most approved methods of successful work in

cities, might be sent to needed points to organize co-operative work among the churches.

(2) The more specific suggestion which your Committee would make is in regard to an immediate demand in New Orleans. We commend the appropriation for last year which was made by the Board for this important field, and urge that if possible, an even larger appropriation be given this year.

The beginning of work on the Panama Canal gives us a new opportunity in New Orleans. It is destined to be one of the greatest of American cities, wielding an influence upon the whole nation which cannot be exaggerated. Already people from every part of the country are moving to this city, which has so promising a future already assured. This influx of population tends to break up old conditions which have been at war with the planting of our interests in that great city. Wisdom would seem to demand that just now we should concentrate our thought and money in a supreme effort to win this key to a large situation.

HOWARD L. JONES,
T. C. SKINNER,
J. J. PORTER,
B. A. DAWES,
W. T. DERIEUX,
V. I. MASTERS,
JOHN AYERS.

96. H. A. Sumrall, Louisiana, presented the report of

Committee on Church Building Fund.

The work of God committed to men of God means more than the sending forth of preachers and the baptizing of converts. It means these plus unification and organization. It means not only the grace of God in any one heart, but the assembling together from time to time of all such hearts for fellowship and instruction. The regeneration of the individual is not any more Scriptural than a body of baptized believers organized together as a church of Jesus Christ.

But such organization, with its habitual gatherings, involves a place of meeting, else, in the light of history, there is little hope of growth or continuance. A fisherman without a net, a physician without an office, a merchant without a storeroom, an institution of learning without a building is scarcely less hopeless of success than is a church without a meeting house. The cause of Christ must not only be incarnated in human lives, but in material places also where such lives are to meet, and pray, and plan together.

The Salvation Army, with its caps, bonnets, and brass bands, in going forth to kneel at street corners and preach on public highways, very soon learned that it must also have its place of meeting; that, however, unusual the method or earnest the soul, results could scarcely be attained or made lasting without the place of prayer and the rallying point of its converts.

A church organization might be ever so large in membership, and rich in the things of this world, but if it were houseless, and for any strange reason had so to remain for an indefinite time, there is not a man of us but would consider it an uninviting field.

But if this be true of such an organization, how much more of one small in membership and rich only in faith situated in some frontier town, the population of which is rapidly increasing, and the spirit of which is ultra-materialistic?

And yet there are hundreds of just such needy fields in our beloved Southland. Have we forgotten the appalling figures that appealing missionaries have rung into our ears at former meetings of this Convention? It still remains true that almost two-thirds of the churches in Oklamoma are without meeting houses. The same is true of over one-half the churches in Indian Territory, and of half our organizations in both Arkansas and Texas—a sad total of over 2,500.

And this is our day of opportunity. Every month people by the thousands are pouring into this great Southwest country. Some of us can scarcely realize how rapidly the population is multiplying. The cross roads of yesterday are towns today, and will be cities tomorrow. Places which three or four years back were vacant fields, are now towns numbering from two to five thousand inhabitants. Such a field needs more than a preacher of the gospel with a handfull of devoted followers; it needs a meeting house, neat and attractive, yet easily inexpensive, that will advertise the truth as it is in Jesus, and face incoming home-seekers with the conviction that the gospel of Christ has also come West, and come to stay.

Our cities, also, are calling for the same sort of help. The impulse toward them is irrepressible. Already they contain more than forty per cent. of our population, and the stream continues. To an alarming extent is the population outstripping the churches. Those churches have done well; this struggle has been strenuous and heroic, but the situation has long since become too large and grave to be mastered by them alone. Strategic points not a few are available for the doing of a large and far-reaching work for God. Competent brethren are ready to seize these points and to give in generous measure both time and means toward the immediate prosecution of this work. But lots and buildings cannot be secured without some supplemental help from the brotherhood at large.

From city to frontier the need is one. Says J. C. Stalcup, Superintendent of Missions in Indian Territory: "Among the many important things that need to be done in the Indian Territory for its evangelization and training for effective service for the Master, there is nothing more important and far-reaching in its results than the building of church houses."

Says J. F. Love, Superintendent of Missions in Arkansas: "A church building fund available to Arkansas Baptists is a great necessity. It is at present impossible for our State Board to carry on this line of work; our only hope is in the Home Board. This is the time of opportunity for Southern Baptists in Arkansas, and church building is one of the chief factors determining our success."

Says E. O. Ware, Superintendent of Missions in Louisiana: "One of the most serious problems in connection with our work in Louisiana is that of house building; and the cause is suffering for lack of available money to supply this need."

Says J. B. Gambrell, Superintendent of Missions in Texas: "It is certainly true that not half of our churches have meeting houses. We could build 200 meeting houses in a year in Texas suitable for our people where they live if we could give a little assistance, in each case from \$100.00 to \$250.00 a meeting house. Every dollar we could put in would draw out anywhere from five to ten dollars. We constituted 126 churches last year under our Board. Many of them are weak, but in time they will be great churches if we can help them through their infancy."

Brethren, these are men upon whose hearts the brotherhood and the hand of God have laid the work of frontier missions; and their sense of need and vision of opportunity has wrung from their souls this cry for help.

But it is not new with them. Every man, from the sainted Tichenor to our present worthy Secretary, appointed by this Convention to go to and fro in our Southland and lead in the furtherance of our common cause at home, has emphasized the crying need of this work and appealed for its hearty and widespread inauguration.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend that this Convention authorize the Home Board to at once, through agencies already existing, begin a vigorous movement for the raising of not less than \$100,000, which, with the addition of the Tichenor Memorial Fund being raised by our worthy women, shall constitute a Church Building and Loan Fund.

Brethren, let us do it. Duty calls; opportunity calls; the concurrent testimony of hearts on the firing line calls; the progress of the kingdom in so many places heretofore made grievously difficult calls; the yet larger and brighter day for denominational progress hereby made possible calls. Let us do it, and the blessing of God, great in power and measure will be upon the doers and the doing.

H. A. SUMRALL,
W. M. HARRIS,
C. W. BREWER,
W. F. YARBOROUGH,
E. F. WRIGHT.

97. Addresses upon the two reports were made by A. U. Boone, Tennessee; T. K. Tyson, Oklahoma; F. C. McConnell, Missouri; E. D. Cameron, Indian Territory; B. D. Gray, Georgia; W. E. Hatcher, Virginia; and the reports were then adopted.

98. On motion of F. C. McConnell, Missouri, it was

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that if in the judgment of the Home Mission Board it be deemed feasible

as much as ten thousand dollars be appropriated to the work in Kansas City.

99. An address upon the History and Work of the Home Mission Board was made by B. H. Carroll, Texas.

100. On motion of J. Wm. Jones, Virginia, the action of the Convention fixing Thursday as the day of meeting of the next session was reconsidered, and on final determination of the question it was ordered that the next session be held on Friday, and extend to Tuesday.

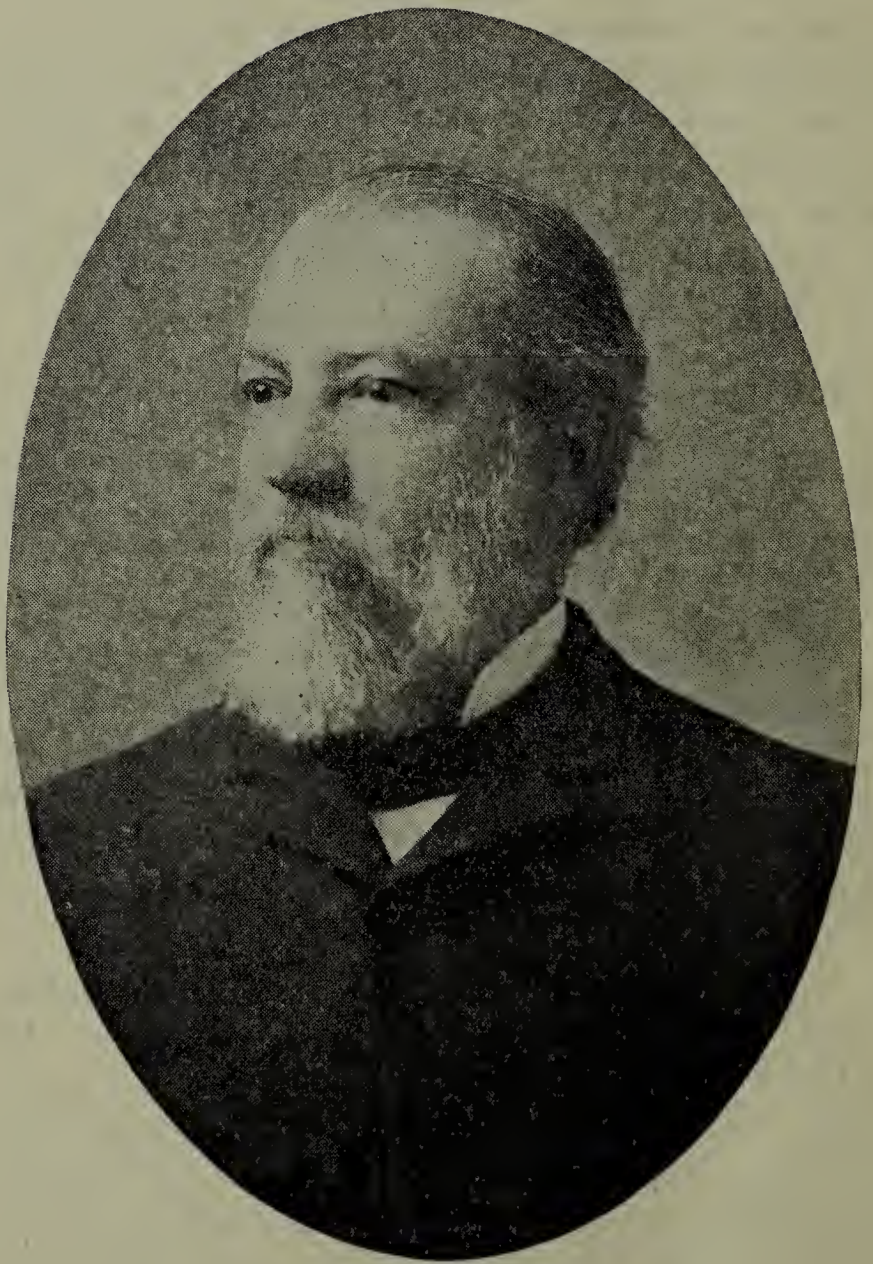
101. On motion of Geo. Hillyer, Georgia, it was

Resolved, That sums of money indicated by any vote of this body for particular objects in the work of the Home Board are not to be considered as imperative instructions, but are to have effect only in case the necessary funds are on hand available for the purpose.

102. The work of the Convention being accomplished, after prayer by B. D. Gray, Georgia, and singing the hymn, "The Sweet By and By," with fraternal greetings, it adjourned to meet on Friday the 11th day of May, 1906, the same being the Friday before the second Sunday in May, at a place to be announced.

E. W. STEPHENS,
President.

LANSING BURROWS,
OLIVER F. GREGORY,
Secretaries.



COL. JAMES ALFRED HOYT,
VICE PRESIDENT, 1887-1891.
DIED GREENVILLE, S. C., MAY 27, 1904.

ROLL OF REPRESENTATIVES.

ALABAMA.

Class I: Entitled to 119; Present, 66.

Anderson, G. S.....Auburn
Barnes, J. E.....Sulligent
Barnett, F. W...Birmingham
Bradley, L. M.....Avondale
Briscoe, M.Butler
Bush, J. H.....Clayton
Bynum, H. G. B.....Boaz
Calloway, T. M....Talladega
Carlisle, R. W....Goodwater
Cox, W. J. E.....Mobile
Creighton, J. H....Whatley
Crumpton, H. T..Russellville
Crumpton, W. B. Montgomery
Davidson, A. C..Birmingham
Dawson, L. O.....Tuscaloosa
Doyle, J. B.....Thomasville
Elliott, W. J....Montgomery
Gavin, R. S.....Bessemer
Glass, A. D.....Weaver
Gordon, M. W.....Brewton
Gregory, O. F...Montgomery
Griffin, W. S....Alexandria
Hall, Richard.....Orrville
Hasty, J. L.....Thomasville
Head, J. L.....Andalusia
Hendricks, J. A...Pratt City
Howard, W. W...Myrtlewood
Hubbard, W. D.....Troy
Johnson, A. J.....Attalla
Jones, G. C.....Huntsville
Jones, Robert.....Stanton
Kailin, J. M.....Mobile
Lowry, J. G.....Pinehill

McCollum, J. W.....(Japan)
McIntosh, A. M....Dadeville
McMullin, J. S....Greenville
Mills, J. M.....Stanton
Morgan, C. H.....Jackson
Morgan, D. W.....Bessemer
Moseley, A. G....Evergreen
Neese, M. B.....Huntsville
Nichols, W. N...Nicholsville
Pascall, A. E.....Gadsden
Patrick, R. G.....Marion
Pettus, W. B.....Marion
Pettus, W. E.....Huntsville
Pierce, J. E.....Huntsville
Pope, J. F.....Wilsonville
Provence, S. M....Tuskegee
Pugh, C. C.....Auburn
Rabb, C. S.....Evergreen
Rabb, J. M.....Brewton
Ray, S. O. Y.....Eastlake
Reese, O. A.....Geneva
Reynolds, J. B....Greenville
Richardson, G. R..Deatsville
Sandlin, J. W....Catherine
Shelburne, J. M....Eastlake
Stakely, C. A....Montgomery
Stewart, E. M...Montgomery
Taliaferro, W. A..Greenville
Tucker, J. L.....Nanafalia
Vesey, J. W....Birmingham
Vice, W. V.....Sweetwater
Windsor, Isaac...Goodwater
Yates, G. L.....Thomasville

Class II: Entitled to 50; Present, 17.

Birmingham....J. M. McCord
Butler Co.....G. W. Lovell
Central.....A. S. Smith
Clarke Co.....S. A. Adams
Coosa River....C. J. Bentley
Escambia.....J. W. Kramer
Etowah.....J. M. Solly
Lauderdale.....R. H. Tandy
Marshall.....W. A. Parker

Mobile.....T. B. Pace
Montgomery....J. W. O'Hara
Muscle Shoals..Jno. E. Weaver
New River....J. S. Townsend
Pine Barren..J. L. Thompson
Saint Clair.....I. W. Inzer
Union.....D. O. Baird
Warrior River...W. J. Nash

ARKANSAS.

Class I: Entitled to 33; Present, 34.

Amis, W. T.....Hot Springs	Little, J. F.....Rogers
Ayers, John.....Fort Smith	Love, J. F.....Little Rock
Barton, A. J.....Little Rock	Mabry, J. G.....Campbell
Barton, P. C.....Jonesboro	Matthews, B. J.....DeQueen
Beauchamp, H...Little Rock	McCord, J. A.....Forest City
Bottoms, G. W...Texarkana	McNew, Jas. T..Jacksonville
Christian, J. T...Little Rock	Milam, B. F.....Cabot
Conger, J. W....Arkadelphia	Patterson, W. M.....Cabot
Cornelius, R. E....VanBuren	Purgeon, G. W....Jonesboro
Cox, Ben.....Little Rock	Rivers, W. W.....Conway
Denham, J. E....Fayetteville	Roberts, H. C.Eureka Springs
Easley, J. P.....Little Rock	Smith, W. L.....Ashdown
Grumbles, L. T....Magazine	Thomas, U. S.....Jonesboro
Haynes, J. J.....Arkadelphia	Tomme, L....Siloam Springs
Horne, H. J. P..Arkadelphia	Waterbury, A.....Malvern
Hurt, J. J.....Little Rock	Webb, Calvin J..Hot Springs
Kimbrough, W. E.Bentonville	Winburne, H. L.Arkadelphia

Class II: Entitled to 8; Present, 4.

Carroll Co.....J. H. Spurlin	Independence.S. B. Callaway
Crooked Creek..M. L. Voyles	Mount Zion.....E. P. Minton

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Class I: Entitled to 10; Present, 4.

Bruner, Weston.Washington	Truett, Geo. E...Washington
Holtzman, W. F.Washington	Wright, A. K....Washington

FLORIDA.

Class I: Entitled to 28; Present, 6.

Baker, G. M.....Palmetto	Hobson, W. A...Jacksonville
Edwards, F. C....Micanopy	Ray, C. M.....Lake City
Geiger, L. D.....Apopka	Rogers, S. B....Gainesville

Class II: Entitled to 13; Present, 3.

Peace River..W. D. Turnley	South Florida..W. C. McCall
Santa Fe River.W. C. Foster	

GEORGIA.

Class I: Entitled to 262; Present, 38.

Atkinson, E. S.....Camilla	Bell, T. P.....Atlanta
Barton, W. J.....Ocilla	Blalock, F. M.....Ashburn
Bealer, A. W....Thomasville	Bothwell, J. T.....Augusta
Beall, J. R.	Broughton, L. G....Atlanta

GEORGIA—*Continued.*

Callaway, T. W....Thomaston	Landrum, W. W.....Atlanta
Carter, John.....Gainesville	Millard, J. W.....Atlanta
Connelly, E. L.....Atlanta	Parker, D. H.....Boston
Copeland, O. J..Waynesboro	Pearce, P. E.....Augusta
Cowan, S. A.....Atlanta	Rhodes, R. C.....Palmetto
Davis, W. A.....Senoia	Robert, Harry.....Atlanta
Dobbs, C. E. W.....Marietta	Sledge, W. H.....Macon
Freeman, A. D.....Newnan	Smith, E. J.....Tennille
Gaines, W. W.....Atlanta	Smith, W. H.....Columbus
Gilmore, W. M.Marshallville	Thigpen, C. D.....Sunhill
Graham, B. J. W.....Atlanta	Ward, A. C.....Atlanta
Gray, B. D.....Atlanta	Welch, M. M.....Atlanta
Hyman, J. J.....Arabi	Wilkinson, C. M....Augusta
Jameson, S. Y.....Atlanta	White, I. A.....Cuthbert
Jenkins, J. W. R.....Senoia	White, J. E.....Atlanta

Class II: Entitled to 56; Present, 10.

Bulloch Co.....T. J. Cobb	New Ebenezer.M. H. Massey
Chattahoochee..J. A. Wynne	New Sunbury...J. D. Jordan
Daniell.....M. A. Grace	Stone Mountain.Geo. Hillyer
Georgia.....J. H. Kilpatrick	Tattnall..J. W. Witherington
Mount Vernon..J. A. Mobley	Western.....G. A. Nunnely

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Class I: Entitled to 6; Present, 6.

Harrell, G. M.....Duncan	Washburn, A. G.....Vinita
Stalcup, J. C...So. McAlester	Watson, J. F.....Holdenville
Stubblefield, C.....Durant	Wiley, W. S.....Bacone

Class II: Entitled to 4; Present, 4.

Delaware.....J. H. Scott	Illinois River.....R. A. Tuell
Enon.....J. R. Masters	Zion.....E. D. Cameron

KENTUCKY.

Class I: Entitled to 159; Present, 110.

Adams, M. B.....Frankfort	Bryant, W. O.....Lexington
Anderson, J. H..Hopkinsville	Burdin, J. H.....Mt. Eden
Atwood, E. B.....Walton	Burgess, S. H.....Berry
Barnhill, W. J..Madisonville	Burnett, J. H.....Hartford
Betts, J. T.....Keene	Burnett, J. Henry..Louisville
Blackwell, W. D.	Burns, W. A.Lebanon Junc'n
Blake, Preston...Lexington	Camp, Ed.....Trenton
Boone, H. G.....Elkton	Cannon, S. J.....Elkton
Bosworth, Ben....Lexington	Cates, G. C.....Louisville
Bow, J. G.....Louisville	Cheek, J. S.....Paducah
Brittain, W. E.....Louisville	Clark, J. A.....Franklin
Brookshire, E. H.....Albany	Clarke, G. W.....Louisville

KENTUCKY—Continued.

Cleaton, H. E.....	Louisville	Kirtley, J. A....	Hopkinsville
Cloar, J. J.....	Owensboro	Kuykendall, M.M.	Burkesville
Coakley, E. W....	Beaverdam	Lee, J. A.....	Glencoe
Collins, Levi.....	Beard	Levi, W. J.....	Edmondton
Compton, T. N....	Owensboro	Lloyd, Henry.....	Reynolds
Cook, C. V.....	Henderson	Loving, J. W.....	Glasgow
Cree, Arch C.....	Louisville	McGill, H. C.....	Howell
Cropper, John.....	Idlewild	McGlothlin, J. T....	Franklin
Crouch, J. B.....	Carlisle	Meador, J. E.....	Franklin
Davis, B. J.....	Shelbyville	Miller, Frank.....	Louisville
Dawes, B. A.....	Louisville	Miller, William..	Hodgenville
Dearing, C. T.....	Louisville	Mitchell, W. E....	Pembroke
Dorgan, W. L.....	Danville	Mohler, S. N.....	Louisville
Doyle, W. S.....	Cave City	Mullins, E. Y.....	Louisville
Eads, C. E.....	Greenville	Nash, C. H.....	Hopkinsville
Early M, D.....	Burlington	Osborne, T. D....	Louisville
Eaton, T. T.....	Louisville	Nowlin, W. D....	Owensboro
Felix, W. H.....	Lexington	Pettie, A. S.....	Mayfield
Forsee, G. W.....	Owenton	Prestridge, J. N....	Louisville
Foster, J. H.....	Franklin	Pryor, J. M.....	Harrisburg
Foster, W. E.....	Louisville	Ransom, U. A.....	Louisville
Garvey, B. E....	New Liberty	Reed, R. E.....	Louisville
Gatlin, P. E....	Madisonville	Roddy, J. M.....	Ashland
Galton, J. S..	Campbellsville	Sanpey, J. P.....	Louisville
Green, O. O.....	Versailles	Shouse, E. F.....	Louisville
Hagan, B. F....	Hodgenville	Slade, J. T.....	Lexington
Hamilton, W. W..	Louisville	Smith, B. P.....	Louisville
Harris, A. T.....	Versailles	Smith, W. H.....	Rochester
Harris, J. V.....	Franklin	Snyder, J. S.....	Trenton
Harrison, W. H..	Russellville	Stallings, W.M.	Smiths Grove
Harvey, W. R.....	Louisville	Stowe, G. H....	Hopkinsville
Hibbs, H. H....	Williamsburg	Strother, I. N.....	Cadiz
Hill, G. W..	Stamping Ground	Swindler, B. F.....	Owenton
Hines, W. P.....	Lexington	Taylor, H. B.....	Murray
Howerton, E. L.....	Yost	Taylor, J. A.....	Louisville
Huey, O. M.....	Stanford	Taylor, J. J.....	Georgetown
Humphreys, T. J..	Louisville	Thompson, S. F....	Louisville
Hutcherson, J. B.....	Upton	Tolle, R. H.....	Falmouth
Jenkins, B. F....	Owensboro	Williams, J. F....	Versailles
Jenkins, J. P.....	Louisville	Wilson, A. J.....	Rochester
Jester, J. R.....	Louisville	Wilson, W. S.....	Eminence
Johnson, J. E.....	Lagrange	Wray, W. A.....	Dayton
Johnson, T. H.....	Bellevue	Wright, E. F....	New Liberty

Class II: Entitled to 54; Present, 18.

Blackford.....	H. D. Rice	Freedom.....	J. L. Adkins
Central.....	A. C. Graves	Gasper River..	A. B. Gardner
Concord.....	J. W. Waldrop	Goshen.....	H. B. White
Daviess Co.....	H. E. Gabby	Little Bethel..	J. C. Hopewell
East Concord..	J. G. Browning	Little River..	R. W. Morehead
East Union.....	A. F. Baker	Lynn.....	W. T. Parrish
Elkhorn.....	J. R. Howard	Nelson.....	Charles Anderson

KENTUCKY—*Continued.*

North Bend.....C. W. Daniel	Ohio River.....M. E. Miller
Ohio Co.....H. P. Brown	Ohio Valley.....J. W. Hazel

LOUISIANA.

Class I: Entitled to 42; Present, 31.

Adcock, J. D.....Bunkie	Johnston, A. L.....Minden
Alexander, C. W....Jennings	Lawrence, D. F...Alexandria
Alexander, F. L..Cherryville	McFerran, W. B...DeRidder
Atwood, E. L.....Jackson	Morris, S. L.....Winnfield
Benton, Bruce...Alexandria	Penick, W. S....Shreveport
Brock, J. B.....Welsh	Pugh, H. C.....Ruston
Brown, J. W.....Many	Quisenbury, W. Y....Ruston
Brown, W. R....Marthaville	Shell, H. H....Lake Charles
Conger, E. J....Shreveport	Smith, C. R.....Westlake
Cottingham, C...Mt. Lebanon	Stephenson, T. E.Shreveport
Cox, F. L.....Arcadia	Stubblefield, E. B....Clinton
Craine, H. M...New Orleans	Sunrell, H. A....Shreveport
Edwards, C. V..New Orleans	Trice, J. E.....Crowley
Edwards, J. R...Mt. Lebanon	Vining, J. U.....Amite
Gandy, E. R.....Westlake	Ware, E. O.....Alexandria
Herndon, J. B...Rockymount	Webb, H. H.....Norwood

Class II: Entitled to 19; Present, 12.

Big Creek.....P. W. Lofton	No. Louisiana.J. M. Hickson
Central.....S. L. Morris	North Sabine...R. J. Brown
Eastern.....G. R. Welch	Sabine.....J. M. Pate
Grand Cane..R. F. Treadway	Targipahoa Parish
Judson.....W. J. Bolin	.....D. W. Bosdell
Louisiana...F. L. Alexander	Union.....W. H. Cain
Agees Creek..I. E. Corkern	

MARYLAND.

Class I: Entitled to 41; Present, 5.

Eager, J. H.....Baltimore	Merrill, I. H..Pocomoke City
Griesemer, H. A...Baltimore	Skinner, T. C.....Baltimore
Levering, Joshua..Baltimore	

MISSISSIPPI.

Class I: Entitled to 120; Present, 47.

Ball, Martin.....Winona	Cox, D. H. S.....Shelby
Blalock, R. C.....Gunnison	Crawford, J. O.....Clinton
Brashears, W. I....Gunnison	Emerson, P. L.....Eudora
Bruner, A. A.....Pittsboro	Epting, W. J.. ...Bluesprings
Cohron, R. A.....Utica	Farish, J. R.....Meridian
Cooper, R. A.....Pontotoc	Farr, W. E.....Roxie
Cooper, W. R.....Ittabena	Gullett, S. G.....Ecru

MISSISSIPPI—*Continued.*

Hearn, S. L.....Westpoint	Phelps, J. L.....Enpora
Hill, A. B.....Ruleville	Prince, W. P.....Jackson
Jordan, W. A.....Amory	Randolph, I. P.....Molino
Lane, J. H.....Magnolia	Riley, F. L.....University
Leavell, L. P.....Jackson	Rowe, A. V.....Winona
Lee, J. A.....Wesson	Smoot, H. A.....Okolona
Lee, J. W.....Grenada	Solomon, E. D.....McComb
Lipsev, P. I.....Clinton	Spight, Thos. ....Ripley
Lowry, B. G..Blue Mountain	Stubblefield, Edw....Oxford
Maum, R. D.....Belzoni	Thames, A. J.....Macon
Mitchell, B. L....Cleveland	Thigpen, J. E.....Magnolia
Mize, C. H.....Sumner	Tomlinson, T.....Ludlow
Nutt, J. R.....Ackerman	Tucker, V. B.....Ecri
O'Briant, A. L.....Magee	Tull, S. E.....Kosciusko
Osborne, E. R...New Albany	Wesson, E. L.....Sardis
Paden, T. R.....Houston	Yarborough, W. F...Jackson
Parsons, J. F....Brookhaven	

Class II: Entitled to 37; Present, 23.

Aberdeen.....W. W. Weaver	Lebanon.....M. J. Derrick
Bay Springs..W. B. Sansing	Lincoln Co.....J. E. Wills
Bogue Chitto...I. H. Anding	Louisville.....J. C. Eaves
Calhoun.....J. F. McKibben	Mississippi...T. J. Barksdale
Carey.....E. B. Seale	Rankin Co.....D. J. Miley
Coldwater.....J. N. Brown	Strong River..R. Drummond
Columbus.....W. T. Hudson	Sunflower....J. N. Bradsher
Copiah.....J. F. Tull	Trinity.....A. C. Ball
Deer Creek...E. T. Mobberly	Union.....Jno. Thompson
Kosciusko.....J. E. Curry	West Judson
Lauderdale...F. A. Freeman	.....R. A. Kimbrough
Lawrence Co.....T. J. Moore	Zion.....A. T. Burns

MISSOURI.

Class I: Entitled to 82; Present, 83.

Anderson, W. M...St. Joseph	Clark, J. G.....Liberty
Anderson, W. O...Springfield	Cole, H. W.....Hannibal
Applegate, J. L..Keytesville	Conner, J. S.....Mt. Vernon
Armstrong, J. C....St. Louis	Creek, I. T.....St. Joseph
Avery, A. C.....Clinton	Crouch, W. A.....Turney
Bayless, W. K.....Columbia	Crouch, W. S....Kansas City
Biggs, J. D..Bowling Green	Dew, J. H.....Liberty
Black, G. L.....Liberty	Eberhardt, F. W....Liberty
Boucher, E.....Mt. Vernon	Edwards, L. V.....Cameron
Bozeman, F....Harrisonville	Gass, Howard..Jefferson City
Breaker, M. J.....St. Louis	Gott, S. P.....Boonville
Brown, J. J.....Fulton	Greene, J. P.....Liberty
Brown, S. M....Kansas City	Hanna, J. T.....St. Joseph
Burgess, J. G.....Columbia	Hartley, J. N.....Savannah
Campbell, F. Y..Warrensburg	Hatcher, G. W....Carrollton
Campbell, W. T.Independence	Hearne, W. T..Independence

MISSOURI—*Continued.*

Hulton, H. H....	Kansas City	Read, I. W.....	Monroe City
Hunt, H. A.....	St. Joseph	Rhoads, R. M.....	Fairfax
Hunt, M. P.....	Kansas City	Riggs, Milford....	Lexington
Ingle, Alpha....	Keytesville	Rucker, J. W....	Kansas City
Inlow, R. M.....	Kansas City	Rudolph, W. M...	Farmington
Jenkins, T. H....	Marblehill	Russell, O. S.....	Marshall
Johnston, J. T. M.	St. Louis	Scruggs, M. D...	Kansas City
Keltner, J. W.....	Windsor	Skillman, C. G....	Springfield
Kemper, J. F.....	Carthage	Southworth, J. W..	Columbia
Knight, W. C....	Carrollton	Stafford, T. P.....	Liberty
Levering, A. R....	Hannibal	Stephens, E. W....	Columbia
Maiden, R. K..	Independence	Stephens, Hugh.	Jeffers'n City
Major, J. S.....	Liberty	Stewart, J. P.....	St. Louis
Maple, J. C.....	Armstrong	Stuart, W. P.....	Paris
Mayfield, W. H....	St. Louis	Taylor, J. W....	Mt. Leonard
McConnell, F. C..	Kansas City	Thomas, M. L.....	Columbia
Million, J. W.....	Mexico	Truex, H. E.....	Mexico
Minter, D. G.....	Shelbina	Tucker, W. L....	Kansas City
Moss, Woodson...	Columbia	Turner, A. P.....	Fayette
Norvell, J. E.....	Gilliam	Turner, R. E.....	St. Joseph
O'Kelley, T. W....	St. Joseph	Tutt, B. G.....	Jefferson City
Partee, J. Q.....	Vandalia	Tralle, H. E....	Kansas City
Patrick, W. J..	Bowling Green	Virgin, H. W.....	Nevada
Phillips, T. J.....	Glasgow	West, T. L.....	Carrollton
Porter, S. J....	Kansas City	Williamson, W. J.	St. Louis
Ray, A. T.....	Gallatin		

Class II: Entitled to 32; Present, 26.

Audrain.....	J. S. Jesse	Macon.....	L. Hayner
Bear Creek....	R. S. Duncan	Mount Zion.....	T. Wright
Benton Co.....	W. R. Vance	Nevada.....	M. A. Wolfe
Bethel.....	B. A. Jaudon	North Liberty....	Lee Harrell
Butler.....	W. S. Weir	Northwest....	J. F. Heacock
Caldwell-Ray..	T. W. Chambliss	Saint Clair..	W. F. Shackelford
Cane Creek..	S. A. Wilkinson	Saint Joseph....	A. L. Cooper
Dade Co.....	Paul Ellis	Saint Louis.....	S. H. Ford
Dixon....	Henry Giedinghagen	Saline.....	Com. P. Storts
Harmony..	Logan C. Thomas	Shcal Creek....	J. H. Jetmore
Lafayette-Johnson.	G. W. Hyde	Spring River....	J. J. Porter
Lawrence Co..	J. F. Williams	Stoddard Co..	Thos. M. Rice
Linn Co.....	J. C. Cox	Tebo.....	C. M. Truex

NORTH CAROLINA.

Class I: Entitled to 112; Present, 6.

Bateman, R. J...	Mount Olive	Porter, A. H.....	Whiteville
Brown, A. E.....	Asheville	Sims, B. W. N...	Waynesville
Johnson Livingston..	Raleigh	Spilman, B. W.....	Kinston

Class II: Entitled to 44; Present, 4.

Eastern.....	C. M. Rock	Sandy Creek..	N. H. Shepherd
French Broad....	M. A. Wood	Union.....	W. F. Watson

OKLAHOMA.

Class I: Entitled to 4; Present, 4.

Brewer, C. W.....Norman	|	Elder, Jno. F.....Mangum
Burnett, C. W.....Pawhuska	|	Scott, J. A.....Oklahoma

Class II: Entitled to 5; Present, 5.

Central.....L. W. Marks	|	Kiowa Co....J. M. Anderson
Friendship.....Geo. F. Lowe	|	Lincoln Co.....W. F. Farrar
Greer Co.....J. W. Solomon	|	

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Class I: Entitled to 134; Present, 15.

Bagby, H. A.....Greenwood	|	Key, D. W.....Greenville
Billings, C. M.....Blackville	|	Masters, V. I.....Greenville
Bristow, Louis.....Marion	|	McGee, M.....Honeapath
Brooker, P. D.....Columbia	|	Poteat, E. M.....Greenville
Foreman, B. M...Orangeburg	|	Smith, T. G.....Greer
Grist, S. M.....Yorkville	|	Smoak, J. P.....Cordova
Hair, J. K.....Union	|	Wingo, I. W.....Campobello
Hair, S. P.....Blackville	|	

Class II: Entitled to 30; Present, 2.

Greenville...A. J. S. Thomas		Welsh Neck.....C. A. Smith
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TENNESSEE.

Class I: Entitled to 85; Present, 67.

Alexander, J. B...Bellbuckle		Davenport, T. J....Kerrville
Allen, L. J.....Maury City	|	Dortch, D. E.....Columbia
Anderson, J. H.....Trenton	|	Dowell, F. M..Andersonville
Atchley, W. A.....Knoxville	|	Downer, R. B.....Newport
Baker, O. E.....Nashville	|	Ellis, D. A.....Jackson
Barton, O. C.....Paris	|	Farrow, W. R...Colliersville
Bass, Albert.....Gallatin	|	Folk, E. E.....Nashville
Bass, William....Shopspring	|	Frost, J. M.....Nashville
Bearden, W. J.....Memphis	|	Frost, Virginius C..Nashville
Bell, C. H.....Martin	|	Golden, W. C.....Nashville
Boles, G. L.....Wartrace	|	Graves, W. C.....Memphis
Bone, J. K....Lawrenceburg	|	Hale, P. T.....Jackson
Boone, A. U.....Memphis	|	Hall, S. H.....Gardner
Brantley, A. W.Andersonville	|	Harris, W. M.....Knoxville
Bruton, W. H.....Ripley	|	Hill, W. R.....Trenton
Burrows, Lansing..Nashville	|	Holt, A. J.....Knoxville
Cate, W. L.....Maryville	|	Hurt, H. P.....Memphis
Chiles, J. R.....La Follette	|	Jones, H. L....Chattanooga
Cox, E. K.....Sweetwater	|	Jones, P. B.....Nashville
Crocker, Jno. A.....Orlinda	|	Lawrence J. B...Humboldt
Crutcher, G. H....Dyersburg	|	Lockhart, J. A...Newmarket

TENNESSEE—*Continued.*

Lofton, G. A.....Nashville	Smalley, J. A.....Gardner
McCarter, S. M....Nashville	Smalley, T. B.....Martin
Medaris, R. C.....Knoxville	Snow, J. H.....Johnson City
Neal, C. L.....Jackson	Stumph, C. W.....Jackson
Norris, J. S.....Brownsville	Tucker, W. H.....Dyersburg
Perryman, G. W...Knoxville	Van Ness, I. J.....Nashville
Pierce, W. C.....Orlinda	Vines, J. F.....Chattanooga
Pilcher, M. B.....Nashville	Wilson, L.T.....Nashville
Rose, W. N.....Rockwood	Winfrey, W. L.....Coalcreek
Ross, A. M.....Nashville	Woodward, H. B.....
Rutledge, W. B....Pikeville	.....Jefferson City
Ryals, W. H.....Paris	Wright, Raleigh...Tullahoma
Shuck, D. D.....Whiteville	Yankee, E. H.....Nashville

Class II: Entitled to 36; Present, 12.

Beulah.....I. N. Penick	Nashville.....J. H. Wright
Big Emory.....B. L. Peters	New Salem.....J. T. Oakley
Chilhowie.....E. A. Cate	Nolachucky....M. D. Jeffries
Duck River....J. C. Midyett	Ocoee.....C. B. Waller
Ebenezer.....J. E. Hight	Weakley Co.....A. A. Jones
Holston.....O. C. Peyton	Western.....Fleetwood Ball

TEXAS.

Class I: Entitled to 208; Present, 106.

Alford, T. G.....Georgetown	Clement, S. P.....Denton
Allen, J. D.....Commerce	Clouse, J. H.....Jacksboro
Ammons, E.....Houston	Compere, E. L.....Dublin
Anderson, J. T. B...Gonzales	Couch, A. N.....Center
Anderson, P. H.....Calvert	Coulson, G. A.....Sanger
Anderson, S. J.....Dallas	Crossland, J. S.....Waco
Andrews, M. T.....Marlin	Crouch, H. H.....Waco
Arbuckle, J. A.....Temple	Crouch, J. P.....McKinney
Ashburn, E. D.	Dean, Geo. B.
Barton	Dement, B. H.....Waco
Benham, S. L.	Duncan, A. A.....Longview
Black, J. F.....Dallas	Francis, E. M.....Pittsburg
Bowers, R. G.....Waco	French, J. A.....Austin
Boyett, J. H.....Wolfe City	Gambrell, J. B.....Dallas
Brewer, J. W.....Ebony	Gambrell, J. H.....Dallas
Brooks, S. E.....Waco	Gates, I. E.....Waco
Brooks, S. P.....Waco	Goode, J. R.....Fort Worth
Buckner, H. F.....Vernon	Grime, J. H.
Buckner, R. C.....Dallas	Hailey, O. L.....Texarkana
Burroughs, P. E.....Temple	Hamlet, W. A.....Dallas
Carroll, B. H.....Waco	Harris, W. D.....Fort Worth
Carroll, J. M.....Waco	Hatcher, B.....Amarillo
Carver, W. C.....Decatur	Held, Jno. A.....Tyler
Chandler, W. R.....Bowie	Hitchcock, M. M..Comanche
Clement, J. C.....Wolfe City	Hudson, M. E....San Marcos

TEXAS—*Continued.*

Huhns, F.....Houston	Robert, B. J.....Dallas
Hunt, J. M.....McKinney	Scarborough, L. R....Abilene
Ingram, A. B.....Gainesville	Skinner, W. L.....Mineola
Johnson, W. H.....Handley	Slaughter, C. C.....Dallas
Key, G. O.....Whitewright	Slaughter, T. J.....Bartlett
King, E. E.....McKinney	Slaughter, W. B.....Dalhart
Lanford, W. L.....Aubrey	Smith, Forest.....Sherman
Lile, A.....Stratford	Smith, Robt. B.....El Paso
Little, L. A.....Fort Worth	Spangler, F. B.....Waco
Manis, Z. T.....Celeste	Sparkman, A. D..Valley Mills
Marshall, J. N.....Stratford	Splawn, W. S.....Bonham
Mason, W. E.....Mountcalm	Steed, D. B.....Whitesboro
Mayes, L. T.....Houston	Taylor, G. C.....Corsicana
McGarrity, W. B....Hillsboro	Thompson, Howard..El Paso
McLaughlin, E. B.....Hico	Tomkies, C. W.....Cameron
Miller, J. N.....Royse City	Troy, H.....Hereford
Moffitt, W. A.....Lancaster	Truett, G. W.....Dallas
Newburn, J. M..Jacksonville	Turner, J. M.....Waco
Page, T. J.....Stratford	Walne, T. J.....Dallas
Payne, T. A.....Royse City	Walton, W. T.....Mansfield
Pender, H. B.....Greenville	Warren, L. B.....Beaumont
Pender, R. C.....Bowie	Weaver, M. E.....Marshall
Pevoto, D. R.....Houston	Wesson, E. A.....Hereford
Pinson, J. T.....Paris	Wheeler, M. F....McKinney
Pool, W. A.....Mansfield	Williams, C. B.....Rockdale
Pulliam, J. G.....Plano	Wilson, R. D.....Houston
Riley, B. F.....Houston	Wilson, W. A.....Belton
Riley, G. W.....Kerens	Wolfe, M. H.....Wolfe City

Class II: Entitled to 71; Present, 16.

Alvarado .....Chas. Pitts	Lampasas.....W. H. McGee
Comanche.....L. B. Owen	Montague.....A. W. Reed
Creath.....D. Y. Bagby	Parker Co.....J. M. Hart
Dallas Co.....S. A. Hayden	Red Fork.....T. R. Bowles
Denton Co...H. C. McBrayer	Stonewall.....R. T. Hanks
Ellis Co.....S. H. Slaughter	Tarrant Co.....J. W. Gillon
Fannin Co.....E. D. Reece	Union.....R. L. Cole
Henderson Co....E. S. P'Pool	Wise Co.....J. A. Matthews

VIRGINIA.

Class I: Entitled to 213; Present, 31.

Athey, T. H.....Lynchburg	Ellett, T. H.....Richmond
Bomar, E. E.....Richmond	Ellyson, Wm.....Richmond
Bundy, J. G.	Folks, R. A.....Gloucester
Cowan, G. N...Bristol, Tenn.	Gaines, R. E.....Richmond
Davidson, J. C. Spoutsprings	Goodwin, H. J.....Syringa
Derieux, W. T.....Richmond	Grizzard, R. W.....Emporia
Doan, J. R.....Petersburg	Gwathmey, B. M..Richmond
Dudley, E. E.....Norfolk	Hatcher, W. E....Richmond

VIRGINIA—Continued.

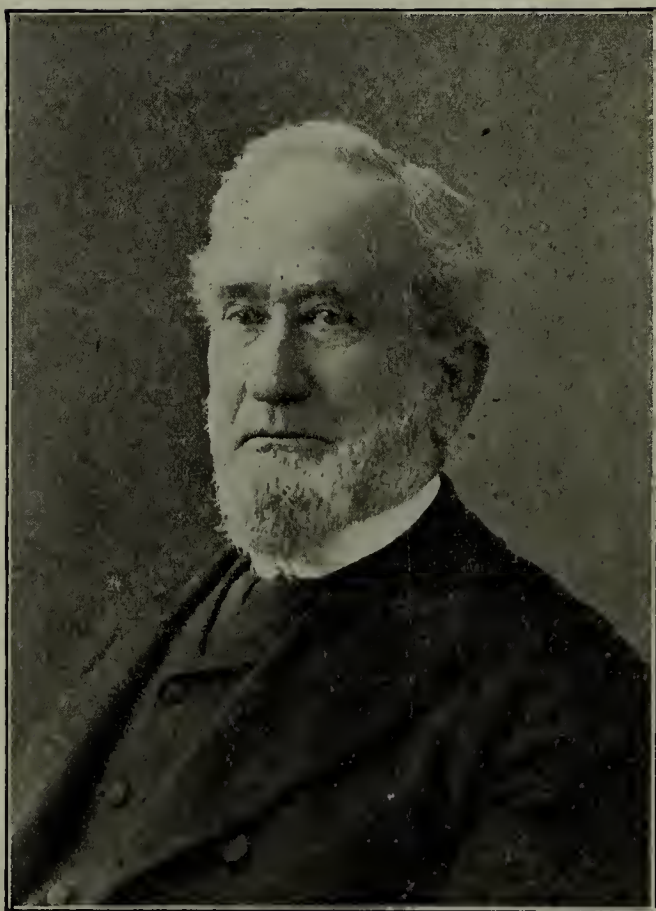
Jones, J. W. M....Richmond	Stealey, C. E.....Richmond
Jones, M. A.....Richmond	Thomas, J. M.....Roanoke
Kincheloe, J. W.....Crewe	Thornhill, L. R....Covington
Martin, F. H.....Salem	Tribble, H. W.Charlottesville
McDaniel, G. W...Richmond	Turner, Jos. A.....Hollins
Mitchell, J. W....Richmond	Willingham, R. J..Richmond
Royal, M. W.....Cavespring	Wood, M. L.....Staunton
Ryland, C. P.....Windsor	

Class II: Entitled to 13; Present, 1.

Concord.....E. L. Baptist

Whole number entitled to seats:

Class I (Financial Basis).....	1,658	
Class II (Associational).....	472	2,130
Present—Class I.....	659	
Class II.....	157	816



CHASTAIN CLARK MEADOR, D.D.

VICE PRESIDENT, 1892.

DIED WASHINGTON, D. C., NOV. 13, 1904.

APPENDIX A.

SIXTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
FOREIGN MISSION BOARD
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

R. J. WILLINGHAM, Cor. Secretary,

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

1905.



SEAL OF THE BOARD.

In presenting our annual report we call upon all our people to join with us in returning thanks to God for His manifold mercies and continued blessings which have enabled us to make glorious advance during the past year. Never in our history have we so successfully lengthened the cords and strengthened the stakes. Two thousand two hundred and thirty-one baptisms were reported for the year. A number of new churches were organized. New stations for work were opened. The receipts in the home land were \$283,415.88, the largest in the history of the Board. For the eighth year in

succession we report with thankfulness and joy all accounts paid in full and no debt, and this, too, after a great enlargement of our work. With largest receipts, and largest number of converts, we report the largest number of new missionaries ever sent out in one year. Fifty recruits have gone during the year to the foreign fields. These noble, consecrated men and women repre-

sent some of the very best fruitage of our church life, and will add greatly to the working forces at the front. The Board cannot send all who apply to go; some are not suited for the work. We try to get those of deep consecration, good preparation and sound bodies, who can stand and work efficiently for our Father. Some of our largest and best churches have been called upon to give up their pastors to supply the crying need for men on the front line. No one can measure what the large reinforcement of this year will mean to our work in the years to come.

A cause for great encouragement is the manifest desire and purpose of our people in the home land to advance. It is becoming common for churches and individuals to give the salary of a missionary (\$500 or \$600, according to location), and we believe it will become far more common as our people see their duty to the lost without Christ. One brother who has been giving the salary of a missionary for years, this year gave \$5,000. Another brother has agreed to give \$5,000 for the erection of a church house in Sasebo, Japan, and two other brethren agree to give \$1,000 or more for the erection of a school building in China. We praise God for the spirit of giving.

We are also glad to report that there is among the missionaries a spirit of aggressiveness beautifully strengthened by harmony and unity of purpose. Our schools, medical work—including hospitals—and publishing establishments, are growing and becoming more and more efficient.

OUR MISSIONS.

Africa.—The past year has been the most wonderful in results of all the years we have worked in Africa. The missionaries report 355 baptisms. There is a decidedly hopeful outlook for the work. Brethren J. S. Compere and J. B. Wakem, with their wives, add greatly to our working force there. The native workers are helping much.

China.—There never has been a time of such opportunity in China as now. The people are awaking from the petrified thought and customs of the past, and beginning to realize that there is an important present and that there may be a better future. Some missionaries report that crowds attend the preaching services. The schools are full and overflowing. Thousands come to the hospitals for treatment, and at the same time hear of the great Physician, who heals the soul. We have greatly increased our force in that country, and yet what are these few, eighty-eight missionaries, among so many? They could all work in one of our stations there and not begin to supply the need. Seven hundred and ten baptisms were reported during the year. May we soon be able to report thousands saved from the midst of the perishing millions of that land.

The Publishing House at Canton is doing a great work. Mr. E. W. Provence, a finely educated, noble young layman, has gone out to assist in this great enterprise.

Japan.—Notwithstanding the war, the missionaries report good progress in Japan. While in some instances the attendance at the church services has been cut down, yet the missionaries have gained access to the hospitals, where they can minister to the wounded and dying. As a result of the war many women and

children have been left in destitution, and the missionaries, having reached out a helping hand to these, have gained the confidence and affection of the people. During the year there were forty-two baptisms.

We give below striking words from the editor of the Biblical Recorder of North Carolina in reference to this wonderful country: "Is it too much to hope that as the Japanese have given the race new standards of devotion to country, they will soon give us new standards of devotion to Christ? We think not. Is it too much to hope that a nation which has revealed her capacity to receive freely the fruits of our civilization and improve upon them, will also reveal her power to receive the religion underlying that civilization and furnish it with a spirit, a meaning, an interpretation and an application all her own and fraught with much of good, much of light, for all Christendom? We think not. The final interpretation and application of Christianity will be universal. That is implied in the Great Commission, and it is suggested directly in more than one passage of Scripture. That Japan will bring us nearer to this final conception we have reason not only to devoutly desire, but to confidently expect."

Argentina.—The missionaries formally opened a preaching hall in Buenos Aires, November 30, 1904. The outlook for the work is very hopeful. Two have applied for baptism. The brethren have arranged to open another station at Rosario, a large, prosperous city connected by river and rail with Buenos Aires.

Brazil.—The great advance movement continues in the missions of Brazil. During the year 866 were baptized. Bro. Entzinger returns to Rio soon with facilities for enlarging the work of publication in Rio.

A great need is being felt in Brazil for schools in which to train the native men and women who must soon do much of the future work in that country.

Italy.—The work in this country has made good progress during the past year. There have been 121 baptisms—a large increase on the previous year. The Theological Training School has done well, and is a strong factor in the work in that country. A very promising mission has been opened at Tunis, Africa, where a goodly number have been baptized and organized into a church.

Dr. Taylor, our veteran, is doing good work in the training of the young preachers. Rev. Everette Gill and wife have gone out to give their lives for Italy.

Mexico.—The Board has expended a good deal in Mexico this year providing suitable buildings for chapels, schools and residences of missionaries. The two missions have been greatly strengthened by the accession of some strong laborers who have gone forth to the work. Much good is expected from the schools of higher grade being conducted in Torreon, Saltillo and Toluca. During the year 137 baptisms were reported.

GROWTH IN TEN YEARS.

That our people may get some idea of the growth of our work in a decade, we give here some comparisons, showing what we were doing in 1895 and are doing now. Then we had 91 mis-

sionaries, now 181; then 89 native helpers, now 269; then 85 churches on the fields, now 194; then 22 church buildings, now 132; then 1,503 Sunday school scholars, now 5,496; then 581 baptisms for the year, now 2,231; then 3,493 total membership after fifty years of work, now 11,423. In addition, our missionaries in many cases have been provided with comfortable, healthful homes. Then we had no medical missionary and no hospital—to-day we have ten physicians, eight male and two female. We have two hospitals and several dispensaries. Thousands were treated last year at these, and at the same time heard the Gospel.

One of the greatest advances we have made is in school work. We needed trained men and women to help among their own people. We found that we must teach them. Theological schools have been established and about one hundred men are being trained in these. Then, again, the children of our converts needed to be educated not into heathenism, but away from it. Many schools have been established for these. Some of these schools receive help from us. Many of them are partly or entirely self-sustaining. The number of the latter will greatly increase. One missionary in North China writes of 13 schools in his mission with nearly 200 scholars, and the total cost to the Board of only \$150.

We also call attention to the work of publishing and distributing good literature. Our missionaries have made a noble advance in this respect in the past ten years. Read the reports for the Publication Society at Canton, China, the Publishing House in Rio, Brazil, and the Bible rooms in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and the Bible room in Nagasaki, Japan. The brethren in Mexico are advancing with their Sunday school literature series. No one can estimate in figures the great advance which has been made. Tabulated results cannot convey to the mind the great changes which have come in foreign lands toward the missionary and his religion. The suspicion, which formerly caused hostility and hatred, have in large measure given place to friendliness and often even to love. The observance of the Sabbath, the family life of the missionaries and native Christians, the new standard of living as exemplified by the converts, have all made a great impression, and we believe that the day is near at hand when we shall see thousands turning to Christ. Truly new opportunities are opening up before us, and they are laden with great privileges and responsibilities.

NEW MISSIONARIES SENT OUT THIS CONVENTION YEAR.

Africa.

NAME AND STATE.	APPOINTED.	LOCATION.	LEFT.
Rev. Geo. H. Strouse, N. J.	June 13, '04.	Ogbomoshaw.	Appointed on field.
Mrs. Kate Chidsey Strouse, N. Y.	"	Ogbomoshaw.	Appointed on field.
Rev. J. B. Wakem, Syrta, reared Ky.	Dec. 8, '04.	Abbeokuta. N. Y.,	March 29, '05.
Mrs. L. W. Wakem, Ohio.	Jan. 18, '05.	Abbeokuta. N. Y.,	March 29, '05.
Rev. J. S. Compere, Ark.	Jan. 31, '05.	Ogbomoshaw. N. Y.,	Mar. 29, '05.
Mrs. Pen Lile Compere, Ark.	"	Ogbomoshaw. N. Y.,	Mar. 29, '05.

Argentina.

Rev. F. J. Fowler, Fla.	July 18, 1904.	Buenos Aires. N. Y.,	Oct. 5, '04.
Mrs. Daisy Cate Fowler, Tenn.	"	Buenos Aires. N. Y.,	Oct. 5, '04.
Rev. Thos. Spight, Miss.	Feb 21, 1905.	Rosario. N. Y.,	April 26, 1905.
Mrs. Ella Failas Spight, Mich.	"	Rosario. N. Y.,	April 26, 1905.

Brazil.

NAME AND STATE.	APPOINTED.	LOCATION.	LEFT.
Rev. L. M. Reno, Pa.	May 5, 1904.	Victoria.	N. Y., Sept. 6, 1904.
Mrs. A. Wymer Reno, Pa.	May 5, 1904.	Victoria.	N. Y., Sept. 6, 1904.
Rev. R. E. Pettigrew, Tenn.	"	Bahia.	N. Y., Sept. 6, 1904.
Rev. D. F. Crosland, S. C.	June 13, '04.	Rio.	N. Y., Oct. 5, 1904.
Mrs. M. Carter Crosland, S. C.	"	Rio.	N. Y., Oct. 5, 1904.
Rev. W. T. Rouse, Ala.	July 5, '04.	Rio.	N. Y., Oct. 5, 1904.
Mrs. Sallie Milford Rouse, Tex.	"	Rio.	N. Y., Oct. 5, 1904.

China.

Rev. E. T. Snuggs, Eng.	June 13, 1904.	Shiu Hing.	N. Y., Aug. 16, '04.
Mrs. J. Hebinger Snuggs, Hungary.	June 13, 1904.	Shiu Hing.	N. Y., Aug. 16, '04.
Miss M. E. Moorman, Ky.	June 13, '04.	Yangchow.	S. Fran., Aug. 30, '04.
Rev. T. F. McCrea, Miss.	Apr. 20, 1904.	Chinkiang.	S. Fran., Aug. 30, '04.
Mrs. Jessie Read McCrea, Pa.	"	Chinkiang.	S. Fran., Aug. 30, '04.
Rev. S. E. Stephens, Ga.	June 13, 1904.	Hwang-Hien.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Mrs. Irene Carter Stephens, Ga.	"	Hwang-Hien.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Rev. T. M. Thomas, Ala.	June 2, 1904.	Soochow.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Mrs. Annie Griffith Thomas, La.	Aug. 24, 1904.	Soochow.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Rev. H. W. Provence, Ala.	July 5, 1904.	Shanghai.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Mrs. Mary Hall Provence, Va.	"	Shanghai.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Rev. John Lake, S. C.	July 2, 1903.	Canton.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
J. G. Meadows, M. D., Ala.	Feb. 24, '04.	Wuchow.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Mrs. Dorcas Merriam Meadows, Pa.	Feb. 24, 1904.	Wuchow.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Miss Julia Meadows, Ga.	Feb. 24, 1904.	Wuchow.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Rev. W. H. Tipton, Tenn.	Apr. 20, '04.	Wuchow.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Mrs. Nelle Roberts Tipton, Tenn.	"	Wuchow.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Rev. B. P. Roach, Tenn.	Feb. 24, '04.	Yingtak.	S. Fran., Nov. 9, '04.
Mrs. Laureola Lloyd Roach, Va.	Oct. 4, 1904.	Yingtak.	S. Fran., Nov. 9, '04.
Rev. A. Y. Napier, Ga.	Oct. 11, 1904.	Chengchow.	S. F., Jan. 10, '05.
E. M. Huckaby, M. D., Miss.	Nov. 4, '04.	Laichowfu.	S. Fran., Feb. 14, '05.
Mrs. Fannie R. Huckaby, Texas.	Feb. 5, 1905.	Laichowfu.	S. Fran., Feb. 14, '05.
Miss Dora Lee Cain, Ga.	Oct. 4, 1904.	Shanghai.	S. Fran., Feb. 14, '05.

Italy.

Rev. Everette Gill, Mo.	Dec. 30, 1904.	Rome.	N. Y., April 13, '05.
Mrs. Emma G. Williams Gill, Va.	"	Rome.	N. Y., April 13, '05.

Japan.

Rev. J. F. Ray, Miss	Apr. 20, '04.	Fukuoka.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.
Mrs. Daisy Pettus Ray, Ala.	Sept. 7, '04.	Fukuoka.	S. Fran., Oct. 1, '04.

Mexico.

Miss R. A. Schantz, Neb.	June 13, '04.	Toluca.	Oct. 3, 1904.
Rev. J. E. Davis, Mo.	July 5, 1904.	Toluca.	Dec. 3, 1904.
Mrs. Mary Gambles Davis, Va.	"	Toluca.	Dec. 3, 1904.
Rev. M. E. Dodd, Tenn.	July 18, 1904.	Morelia.	Feb. 6, 1905.
Mrs. Emma Savadge Dodd, Tenn.	Oct. 10, '04.	Morelia.	Feb. 6, 1905.
Mrs. Eloise Shimmins Newbrough, Tex.	Jan 10, 1904.	Chihuahua.	Jan. 10, '05.

In addition to the above, Miss H. F. North, of Connecticut, formerly a missionary of our Board, but for some years past in this country, was reappointed, February 9, 1904, and left San Francisco October 1, 1904, for the work in Shiu Hing, China.

Bro. E. W. Provence, native of Tennessee, while not an appointee of the Board, left San Francisco, January 10, 1905, to engage in work with the China Publication Society in Canton.

APPOINTED.

Rev. Fleetwood Ball, of Mississippi, was appointed January 4, 1905, to the work in South Mexico. He hopes to go there soon.

The following were appointed April 11, 1905, to the work in China: Rev. A. D. Louthan, M. D., of Virginia; Rev. E. L. Morgan, of Kentucky; Mrs. Lelah Carter Morgan, of Georgia; Miss Mamie Sallee, native of Kentucky, now of Texas; Miss Cynthia A. Miller, of Alabama. All these expect to sail for China in the early fall.

RETURNED TO FOREIGN FIELDS.

Rev. R. W. Hooker, M. D., and wife returned to Mexico, July 4, 1904.

Rev. J. S. Cheavens and wife returned to Mexico, August 7, 1904.

Rev. A. C. Watkins left for Mexico, October 5, 1904.

Miss Julia K. Mackenzie sailed from San Francisco for her work in China, July 26, 1904.

Dr. R. T. Bryan and wife sailed from San Francisco for China, August 30, 1904.

Dr. R. H. Graves and wife sailed from San Francisco for China, October 1, 1904.

Rev. E. A. Nelson sailed from New York for Manaos, Brazil, October 5, 1904.

Rev. C. E. Smith and wife arrived in New York, May 22, 1904, and sailed for Africa from New York, March 29, 1905.

MISSIONARIES AT HOME.

Rev. W. E. Entzminger and wife, from Brazil, arrived in New York, May 20, 1904.

Mrs. E. A. Nelson, from Brazil, arrived in New York, April 25, 1904.

Rev. S. L. Ginsburg and wife, from Brazil, arrived in New York, July 30, 1904.

Rev. J. W. McCollum and wife, from Japan, arrived in San Francisco, June 30, 1904.

Miss Mattie Dutton, from China, arrived in San Francisco, November 25, 1904. Returned on account of feeble health.

Miss Addie Barton, of Mexico, returned home, November 24, 1904.

Rev. L. M. Duval and wife, from Africa, arrived in New Brunswick, December 31, 1904.

Rev. C. T. Willingham and wife, from Japan, arrived in San Francisco, April 7, 1905. Returned on account of the critical health of Mrs. Willingham.

Rev. F. F. Soren, our native pastor at Rio, is spending a few months in this country.

DEATHS.

We chronicle with sorrow the death of some of our noblest workers on the foreign fields. While more extended notices have

been made of them in our Foreign Mission Journal, we wish to add a few words here:

Mrs. A. C. Watkins, of Torreon, Mexico, had been an earnest worker, but the death of several children and continued sickness so prostrated her that she had to be carried to relatives in Clinton, Miss., where she died August 5, 1904.

Mrs. J. W. Newbrough, of Chihuahua, Mexico, died June 10, 1904. She was highly esteemed. She left a husband and five children.

Rev. J. E. Hamilton, of Para, Brazil, died December 3, 1904. He was one of our noblest, most effective workers. The cause in Brazil seemed to need him. His wife and three children have returned to this country.

On March 28th came a cable message from Canton, China, with these sad words: "Wife dead, Chambers." Mrs. R. E. Chambers was from Richmond, Va., and was a most lovely Christian. We regret that further information of her sickness and death did not reach us in time to be incorporated into this report.

We mourn the departure from earth of these whom we loved in the Lord. Besides these a number of our missionaries have had the great sorrow of losing children. The most heart-rending case has been that of Bro. and Sister G. H. Lacy, who had the deep sorrow of losing all five of their dear little treasures by scarlet fever. Sympathizing hearts pray for our missionaries in their suffering and sorrow.

RETIRED FROM THE WORK.

Rev. George H. Strouse and wife returned from Africa, September 20, 1904, and retired from the work on account of the feeble condition of Mrs. Strouse's health.

Mrs. J. E. Hamilton returned from Brazil, December 31, 1904, on account of the death of her husband.

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL OF THE BOARD.

During the year the following changes have taken place in the membership of the Board:

Rev. J. L. Gross elected as vice-president in Alabama in place of Rev. H. W. Provence, who went as a missionary to Shanghai, China.

Rev. J. W. T. Givens elected as vice-president in Oklahoma, in place of Rev. W. M. Anderson, removed from the Territory.

Rev. L. R. Scarborough elected vice-president in Texas, in place of Rev. G. W. McDaniel, removed from the State.

Rev. T. C. Carlton elected vice-president in Indian Territory, in place of Rev. L. C. Wolfe, removed from the Territory.

Rev. F. C. McConnell elected vice-president in Missouri, in place of Rev. J. F. Kemper, resigned.

Rev. Weston Bruner elected vice-president in District of Columbia, in place of Rev. C. C. Coleman, removed from the District.

Rev. G. W. McDaniel has been elected as one of the Board managers in Richmond, in place of Dr. George Cooper, removed from the city. The latter served faithfully for many years.

Rev. Ryland Knight has been elected in place of Rev. Weston Bruner, who has moved to Washington, D. C. Dr. Bruner is now our vice-president in the District of Columbia.

Dr. W. P. Mathews has been elected to succeed his father, Dr. T. P. Mathews, deceased. The latter served on the Board for nineteen years, and was one of our very best members.

CHANGE OF PLANS.

Last year at the Convention we reported the purpose of the Board to open a mission in Persia. After further investigation and more mature thought, it was deemed inexpedient to open work there at this time, and so the Board reconsidered its action.

NEW MISSIONS.

Our work has developed rapidly in China, and so we have opened a new mission in the interior, far from the coast, at Chengchow. This is an important point.

Another new mission station has been established at Victoria, Brazil.

An important work has been opened at Tunis, Africa, in connection with our Italian mission.

At Hermosillo, Mexico, another new work has been begun. We might mention others, but simply give these to let the brethren know that our workers, with the hearty approval of the Board, are constantly enlarging their fields of operation. We refer to the reports from the various missions for more detailed information.

PROPOSED UNION WORK.

Requests have come from our missionaries in Japan that we join in Theological School work in Yokohama, Japan, with the brethren of the Baptist Missionary Union. A similar request has come from the brethren in Central China as to a college and Theological School at Shanghai, China. The missionaries of the Missionary Union in like manner appealed to their Society for such union. After some correspondence your Board sent a committee to confer with a like committee from the Missionary Union to see if an agreement could be reached which would be satisfactory to all. The committee met and formulated plans for such union work. These plans have been approved both by the Missionary Union and your Board, provided the Convention is willing for us to enter into the arrangement. By the plan proposed the Missionary Union and the Foreign Mission Board will each own half interest in the school property, and be equally responsible for the conduct and maintenance of the schools. We hope that the Convention will sanction the proposed arrangement.

FIELD SECRETARY FOR OUR WESTERN TERRITORY.

Rev. M. P. Hunt, the Field Secretary in the West for the three General Boards, has been earnestly and faithfully presenting the cause to the churches. Representing so many interests, it is difficult for him to do his best work for any one of these, or to show such results as would come from concentrated effort. But what he is doing is fundamental, and will be far-reaching in results.

MISSION SUPPLIES.

Foreign Mission Journal.—Your Board is glad to see the increased interest in our Foreign Mission Journal. During the past year we have issued a monthly average of 31,314 copies. The Journal has paid all of its expenses, and has been a source of revenue in saving, through advertisements, several hundred dollars in transportation for the Secretaries of your Board.

Tracts—Envelopes—Maps.—We keep constantly on hand a good supply of tracts, and have sent out hundreds of thousands of them to the churches. We also supply all churches which apply for them with mission collection envelopes.

Several hundred large missionary maps of the world have been sold at the low price of \$3 each to the churches. The maps have given eminent satisfaction.

Missionary Books.—During the year arrangements have been made to supply from the rooms of the Board in Richmond to those who wish them a number of excellent books on missions. We are glad to report that our people have shown by the number of orders sent in that they appreciate this arrangement.

FINANCES.

We come again reporting a good increase in our contributions over any former year. Though we have enlarged the work in every country in which we are laboring, yet we joyfully report "all accounts paid in full and no debt." A number of the States have enlarged their contributions. We call especial attention to the increase made in finances.

We give below an interesting table:

STATES.	Associations.	Churches.	Preachers.	Members.	1903-'04.	1904-'05.
Alabama	85	1,945	1,088	149,935	\$ 18,025 77	\$ 18,302 20
Arkansas.....	50	1,348	871	79,402	4,755 51	4,988 63
Dist. of Columbia.	3	71	87	21,958	1,712 41	1,889 48
Florida.....	26	530	311	26,035	2,500 00	3,696 24
Georgia.....	83	2,119	1,401	210,697	40,061 58	48,760 53
Indian Territory..	25	528	404	26,816	329 09	815 36
Kentucky.....	75	1,723	1,185	202,958	22,179 81	25,258 37
Louisiana.....	28	591	324	41,920	5,190 63	5,820 99
Maryland.....	1	61	60	10,333	4,811 45	5,702 59
Mississippi.....	53	1,349	690	115,062	18,811 89	21,161 89
Missouri.....	79	1,854	1,410	159,189	13,103 82	14,998 81
North Carolina....	61	1,816	966	185,100	16,865 70	20,210 72
Oklahoma.....	16	259	149	12,658	459 85	505 31
South Carolina....	36	913	489	104,763	19,733 54	24,573 73
Tennessee.....	53	1,547	1,082	139,154	14,937 41	13,862 17
Texas.....	126	2,855	1,950	214,598	26,996 83	30,613 07
Virginia.....	27	993	539	127,039	33,156 21	39,002 64
Other sources.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,963 19	3,253 15
Total.....	832	20,502	13,006	1,827,617	\$247,629 69	283,415 88

As we study this table we rejoice in the great increase on the part of some, but regret the neglect by so many churches of this great work of our Heavenly Father. Our duty seems to be not

only to give of our means, but for us to lead others into this great work.

EXPENSES.

Whatever we do must have some expense attached to it. Both those who labor for the work in the home and foreign lands have to be sustained. Occasionally we have missionaries who are self-sustaining on the foreign fields, and sometimes there are those who give all their time in the home land and receive no remuneration, but the number of each of these classes is very small. Hence we must have expenses for workers at home and expenses for workers abroad. We try to keep down the expenses. It costs to send out thousands of letters and millions of pages of literature, to travel thousands of miles and conduct a business for the Lord amounting to over a quarter of a million of dollars a year. When we carefully examine the treasurer's report we find that for the past year over ninety cents on every dollar given went to the missionaries. The expenses in Richmond were about six cents on the dollar. This includes interest on borrowed money and the expenses of our Woman's Missionary Union, located in Baltimore. The latter are kept down, as the Corresponding Secretary has always declined to receive any salary. The expenses in the States for collecting amount to less than four cents on the dollar. That is, for all expenses less than ten cents on the dollar was used, and over ninety cents on the dollar was sent to the missionaries.

GREAT NEED.

The great growth of our work, through the manifold blessings of God, has brought us to a situation which demands careful consideration. Our missionaries are now facing greatly enlarged opportunities. In some places better and larger church buildings are very much needed. In great, growing cities "the little room around the corner" should give place to a neat, commodious building on a main street. In securing these buildings the native Christians can help some, but the converts at first come generally from the poorer classes and cannot give much. They should be assisted in building houses of worship. In some cases the rooms now used are too small to hold the congregations, so greatly has the interest increased.

Then, again, we need buildings for our Theological Training Schools. We already have one hundred men in these schools, and we shall soon have several hundred. What are we to do with them? A few thousand dollars spent now would mean much for our work in the future.

Then we need hospitals for our medical work, and we need homes for the noble men and women whom we have sent out.

A careful estimate shows that, if possible, we should expend this year in these preparations for better health and better work no less than \$135,000. We have for several years been putting some money in these permanent improvements.

Our current expenditures are now about \$240,000 a year, allowing nothing for these special objects. It is not likely that we shall raise, through the regular channels, the total need of \$375,000 this year. We could raise all if we would. One brother has set a noble example by giving \$5,000. We believe if twenty of our

brethren and sisters would give \$5,000 each, the churches would raise the remainder, and we could, under God, make this the greatest year ever known among us for the advancement of the Master's kingdom. Shall we not turnish the sinews of war for the noble workers at the front? They have gone and given their lives. Shall we not give our prayers and our substance? God would bless us in so honoring Him.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Our sisters of the Woman's Missionary Union during the year have been earnestly pressing forward along several different lines of work. Their contributions show a good increase over any former year. They have done a noble work in giving out valuable information. Perhaps no effort which they have put forth will yield better results, however, than that among the young people. The movement to get all the Sunday School children interested in our various mission enterprises, will yield rich fruit. We give below the annual report of the Woman's Missionary Union, which shows gratifying advance.



GROUP OF WOMEN IN CHINA.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, AUXILIARY TO S. B. C.,
APRIL 20, 1904, TO APRIL 20, 1905.

Continued inspiration for service is found in memories of the "Great Commission," of the cross of Christ, and in knowledge of the needs of mission fields under direction of the Foreign Mission Board.

As a help in securing amounts asked by the Boards of Woman's Missionary Union, State officers were furnished with "Apportionment Cards." The underlying principles of success, division of labor and co-operation have been emphasized in various ways, while the large quantities of foreign mission literature distributed by W. M. U. have also contributed to greatly increased interest. Much thought and time were expended on the special literature in connection with the Christmas offering, the aim being to make it more helpful each year. Included in it were three programs, one for Young People. For Christmas offering 115,500 envelopes were distributed. W. M. U. also prepared by request of the Foreign Board a "Missionary Service on Japan," for use in Sunday schools in January, and over 7,000 packages of literature were sent to superintendents. The Foreign Mission Journal, in which W. M. U. has two departments, is recognized as a necessity of thorough information regarding the work, and numbers of subscriptions have been secured.

Contributions to foreign missions for the year are \$53,678.45. The Christmas offering amounted to \$11,787.01. This has become a recognized part of Christmas planning and giving; even from frontier fields results are very encouraging.

Expenses of W. M. U. were \$3,662.67, for which a draft of \$1,600 was made on the Foreign Board. In addition, expenses for Christmas offering literature were met by the Foreign Board. The Corresponding Secretary, W. M. U., does not receive a salary.

A large number of foreign missionaries are being supported by State organizations, and in some cases by Associations and individuals. Appreciative acknowledgment was made by women foreign missionaries of the "Annual Letter of Greeting" from W. M. U. As letters from missionaries are received by the Corresponding Secretary they are copied and sent to State officers for use in State papers, at District Associations, etc. Monthly data is also furnished bearing on subjects of study suggested by the Mission Topic Card.

School work is appealing to young people; a number of "desks" have been taken in China. The Corresponding Secretary travelled 16,848 miles during the year, and had unusual opportunities of presenting S. B. C. mission work to young people at colleges and elsewhere.

An important feature of the year was the purchase of property at Greenville, S. C., to be used as a Home for Missionaries' Children (Home and Foreign). Full particulars in connection with the gift to W. M. U., property purchased, plans, etc., were given in November issue of Foreign Mission Journal, and copies of the article—in leaflet form—were sent to foreign missionaries. From replies of the missionaries, it is evident that the desire of Woman's Missionary Union to be more helpful is deeply appreciated, and that the Home will be a source of great comfort. Anxiety has already been expressed by some regarding the time of opening, and doubtless, had it been possible, children would have been entered last year. Believing that our Heavenly Father, who put it into the heart of a "Christian mother" to make so generous an offering, through Woman's Missionary Union—\$10,000 for property, \$500 for electric lighting—and who has thus

far blessed every effort in connection with the Home, will constrain W. M. U. in annual session at Kansas City to make needed provision for furnishing and support, we look forward to a time—not far distant—when the Margaret Home will be ready for reception of the children of our missionaries.

SUMMARY OF YEAR'S WORK.

Places visited and revisited.....	99
Days of travel.....	145
Miles travelled.....	16,848
Addresses made.....	223
Meetings attended.....	273
Letters and manuscripts.....	21,502
Leaflets, pamphlets, etc., distributed.....	382,113
Collection envelopes.....	236,799
Mission Topic Cards.....	24,550
Mite barrels.....	6,792

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,
Corresponding Secretary W. M. U.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETIES AND BANDS.

Alabama	\$ 4,404 78
Arkansas	390 91
District of Columbia.....	543 45
Florida	1,312 20
Georgia	7,118 65
Indian Territory	203 71
Kentucky	5,001 86
Louisiana	1,443 15
Maryland	1,463 97
Mississippi	1,556 75
Missouri	2,614 11
North Carolina	4,963 18
Oklahoma	111 10
South Carolina	6,304 55
Tennessee	2,783 01
Texas	2,198 78
Virginia	11,264 29
Total	<u>\$53,678 45</u>

ELLA V. RICKER, Treasurer W. M. U.

POINTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST.

The Sunday School Board at Nashville, besides other help rendered, has kindly contributed this year \$1,000 in cash for our work. The American Baptist Publication Society has also kindly contributed \$100.

The editors of our denominational papers have been very helpful in presenting the work to the people.

Some legacies received have greatly assisted us in the prosecution of the work. Our people are acquiring wealth. It would be well for pastors and other leaders to bring the great needs of a lost world to those among us of large means, and try to get them to remember foreign missions in making their last wills. Several legacies have been lost to the Board by the wills being incorrectly drawn. In every case it should be distinctly stated that the legatee is the "Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention." Simply getting the name wrong sometimes causes great trouble. A considerable part of the income of some Boards is from legacies. The time has come when we should annually get large receipts in this way.

The past year has been marked not only for the large number of new missionaries—fifty men and women—who have been sent out, and the large receipts, \$283,415.88, but for the large number of baptisms on the foreign field. God be praised that the workers have seen thousands turning to Him.

One of the most important questions before us as a people is, How can we get more of our churches and more members in our churches to take an interest in world-wide evangelization? While the question is largely solved by an earnest, missionary pastor, yet it is also solved to a certain extent by earnest, consecrated men and women in the church, who will see to it that missionary information is disseminated, and that the missionary offerings are taken.

SPECIAL PRAYER.

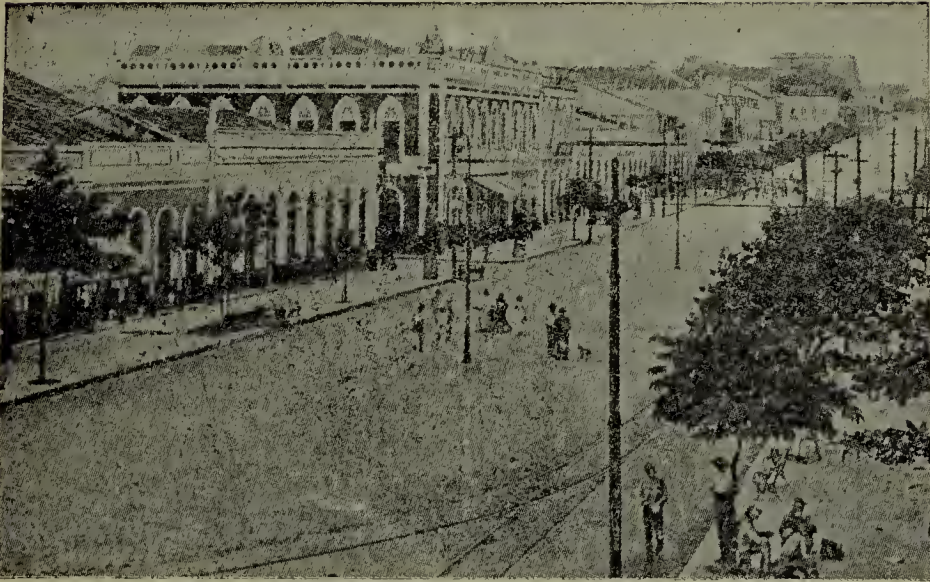
Several years ago we were lacking in means to prosecute the work; we prayed to God and He graciously opened the hearts of our people. Then we found it difficult to get enough workers. Again we made special prayer and God has wonderfully answered us. Not only have we recently sent out fifty new workers, but there are others under appointment to go soon, and a number of others are applying for appointment. It seems to your Board that it would be well now to join in earnest prayer that God would send a gracious refreshing upon our missionaries and the native laborers and their work, that thousands of souls may be gathered into His kingdom. We have a great God, and He is a prayer hearing God. Having opened the hearts of His people to send, and of many to go, we can surely look to Him in faith for a gracious revival. We suggest that at the Convention special prayer be made for the conversion of the heathen, and that we agree as touching this one thing to plead with our God all through the year.

CONCLUSION.

It is a privilege to be living in this age when so much can be done to advance our Lord's kingdom. Opposition both at home and abroad has to a certain extent been removed. Barriers have been swept away. Our God leads us on. By precept and promise and providence He leads forward. At home and abroad His blessings have been manifold. While we review the past with thanksgiving and praise, let us remember that the blessings bestowed only call us to higher, holier service. Let us enter upon another year with high hope and a purpose to make it better than any of the past for the glory of our King.

PAPAL FIELDS.

BRAZIL.



AVENUE EDUARDO RIBEIRO, MANAOS, BRAZIL.
(900 Miles up the Amazon.)

MISSIONARIES AND LOCATION.

Rio de Janeiro.—W. E. Entzminger, Mrs. Entzminger, A. B. Deter, Mrs. Deter, W. T. Rouse, Mrs. Rouse.

Nova Friburgo.—D. F. Crosland, Mrs. Crosland.

Sao Paulo.—J. J. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, W. B. Bagby, Mrs. Bagby, Miss Ermine Bagby.

Bahia.—Z. C. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Alyne Goolsby, R. E. Pettigrew.

Victoria.—L. M. Reno, Mrs. Reno.

Santa Ritta.—E. A. Jackson, Mrs. Jackson.

Cantagallo.—A. L. Dunstan, Mrs. Dunstan.

Pernambuco.—S. L. Ginsburg, Mrs. Ginsburg, W. H. Cannada, Mrs. Cannada.

Manaos.—E. A. Nelson, Mrs. Nelson.

Report of the Rio de Janeiro Mission for 1904, by A. B. Deter.

We have simply to report a year of hard work and joyful harvesting. The most characteristic feature of the work this year

has been the beautiful spirit of fraternal love and harmony that has reigned among our churches and workers.

The First Church of Rio.—This church has been wonderfully blessed this year under the leadership of Bro. F. F. Soren. We can gladly say that it has done solid work and made real progress. This is shown by the crowds that attend the mid-week prayer-meeting; by the fact that the church has nearly doubled its contributions, and by the large numbers that have attended Bro. Soren's Bible class. The First church has four out-stations, where the young men trained in the Bible class do the preaching. These men get no salary for their work, and in many cases pay their own travelling expenses to and from their preaching stations. These men would honor any church in the world. The church has a fine ladies' society, and a society for children was organized this year. The merry-go-round, across the street from the church, plays its dance tunes and the brass band makes it impossible for any preacher to do his best work in such a place. We are praying for a good church building for these brethren; and we hope that the brethren in the home land will not forget that the one crying need of the work in Rio is a good building for the First church. They have contributed for all purposes this year \$2,718.52; have baptized into the fellowship of the church 40 new members. They have a flourishing Sunday school of 125. The church is united, and they love their pastor. It is a tower of strength in the work of our new missionary society. We look to this church to do great things when they shall have a building that will hold the people that want to hear the Gospel.

The Church at Engenho de Dentro (Rio de Janeiro).—The Lord has shown us many favors at this place. At the beginning of the year we were in a little room that did not hold half the people. Now, through the help of the Board, and the hearty co-operation of the people we have a splendid new house of worship. It is large enough now to hold the people, but is being rapidly filled. The main audience room holds easily 250, but in case of a press we can accommodate 300 people. There were 20 baptisms this year. We have raised \$1,142.80 for church expenses and benevolence. They have, through the young people's society, sustained three out-stations. They have scattered thousands of pages of tracts and Bibles. They believe in letting the people know that they are here and about their Lord's work. The church has 105 members, and is now a little over three years old. In our Friday night Bible class we have a large part of the membership of our church. This class has studied one-third of the Life of Christ, using Broadus' Harmony of the Gospels and some good charts and maps. The Christian manhood and womanhood of our churches must get its power from God's Word, as there is no other source of moral life and power in Brazil. All the societies of the church are active and are working in beautiful harmony. They have commenced an active campaign for missions, and the church has pledged \$40 a month for the new missionary society. Our whole force will be spent in making the Rio mission self-supporting this coming year.

The Church at Santa Cruz.—This little church is now a year old, and has had a bright career. They have had seven baptisms, and have raised \$257.64 for church expenses. The growth

of the church has been steady and firm. Their hall is full every Sunday night, and they are making the Word of God felt throughout the entire city. The Ladies' Society, which Mrs. Deter organized, is doing good work. The church was forced to exclude one of its leading members for misappropriating money. He is a man of subtle power, and has used all his influence to destroy the church, but he has not shaken its hold on the people. Santa Cruz is a good centre from which to reach a large and rich section of country. The missionary society is going to locate a resident pastor at this place during 1905, if possible.

The Church at Nictheroy.—Bro. W. E. Entzminger brought this church from the dead last year, and it has shown no signs of wanting to go back to the tomb. Before going away in May Bro. Entzminger baptized Bro. Miranda Pinto, a railroad man, who graduated from a school of engineering in the United States. The really good work done by this church during the year has been due to the patience, prayers and energy of this brother and his wife, who united with the church a few months later. At the beginning of the year the church could not pay its hall rent, now they are paying hall rent and \$9.00 a month for missions. They have contributed during the year \$285.07, and have had 6 baptisms. They have now on hand about \$60 for the construction of a church house. Bro. D. F. Crosland is preparing to take charge of this great centre when he shall be able to speak the language.

Work in the Interior of Brazil.

This work extends out across the State of Rio and on up into the State of Minas. The Lord willing, we will open up vigorous work in the State of Minas during 1905.

The Church at Parahyba do Sul.—This church has had no pastor during the year. They have had preaching from time to time by different brethren who have been able to visit Parahyba. Regular worship has been conducted by different members of the church. They have raised about \$40, which was enough to pay all expenses of the church. They have overcome the evil one. A party of enemies of the Gospel came through this neighborhood, and, finding them without a pastor, they did all they could to ruin the church, but thank the Lord, it is stronger than ever. They are a little flock for which Christ died, and He, the Great Shepherd, will not forget their weakness.

The Church at Anta.—This church has swarmed three times this year (it is a veritable beehive). The members that were baptized into it are scattered over three different neighborhoods; one is now organized into a church at Sapucaia, four miles further up the Central railroad; another church was organized from members of this church at Barao de Aquino, some six hours further on toward the interior of the State; and a third church was organized some ten miles from the last named. This church at Anta has had 117 baptisms, and has been greatly blessed in every line of church life. The church is not developed in all respects, as we can only give it a visit now and then, but they are ready to do what the Lord requires of them.

The Church at Sapucaia.—This church has been persecuted more than any other in our mission. Last year when it was only

a congregation of the church at Anta, the Catholics raised a mob and came to the church and drove out the people with clubs and knives and broke up the seats and pulpit and threw stones at the lamps, leaving nothing but a ruin. Persecution has only stimulated the work as in all cases where Satan wants to do his work with a club. There have been 8 baptisms since the organization of this church, last June. They have contributed \$206.51, and have now on hand enough to buy a lot on which to build a house of worship. We hope they will be able to build without much help from without. The Light and Power Company of the United States is going to put in a gigantic electric light plant here. They will furnish light for the city of Rio, which is about one hundred miles away. This will be a blessing to this church, as the Baptists are the only denomination represented in the town.

The Two New Churches at Barao de Aquino and Peao.—These two churches were organized from members of the church at Anta in December of this year. The church at Barao de Aquino was organized with 60 members, and that of Peao with 57. These churches belong to the same general region, and are about twelve miles apart. We have nearly taken this section of country this year. There are more Baptists than Catholics among these mountains, called here Cold Lands (Terras Frias). The best farmers and the most influential people have joined the Baptist church. Bro. Pedro Barbosa, our native evangelist here, is a man of fine tact and deep consecration. The church at Barao de Aquino has a good start on money for a church house. There were over 100 baptisms here during the year. Before they were organized into churches they raised about \$100. We thank the Lord that the Gospel is doing the work of complete regeneration among the members of these two churches. Some women walk as far as fifteen miles and carry their children to hear the Gospel. The first trip we made among these mountains there were marks of loose living and lack of ambition even among the best coffee farmers here, but now there is a great change. The Gospel here has power to clean the life as well as the heart. We can call the work done here "the regeneration of a neighborhood."

The most important work we have been able to realize this year is the organization of a missionary society, which proposes to take up the work of evangelizing the State of Rio. We are going to make a supreme effort through this society to make the Rio mission self-supporting before the end of 1905. The society has now enough pledges from the different churches to secure this result. I no longer employ the native workers, but this is turned over to a board elected by the missionary society. The churches are in love with the missionary work, and are thankful for what has been done for them by their brethren across the ocean, and are glad to send the good news on to their own countrymen. The churches of this mission have contributed \$4,832.19 this year, and have baptized 207 candidates; they are in better condition to do work than they were last year because the work is organized and in the hands of the churches. We have a splendid new house at Engenho de Dentro, and there are three other houses contemplated next year besides that of the

First church. We are working hard to get houses for all our stronger churches that they may pay the money that they have been paying for rent into the work of evangelizing the State of Rio. With the additional force of Bro. D. F. Crosland and Bro. W. T. Rouse and the return of Bro. W. E. Entzminger in the near future, we can but expect the most glorious work is yet to be done in the Rio mission.

Report of the Brazilian Baptist Publishing House, by A. B. Deter.

This is the work of Bro. W. E. Entzminger, but as he was compelled to return to the United States in May of this year, Bro. Z. C. Taylor was asked by the missionary brethren to come to Rio for a time and direct this work. Bro. Taylor was with us in Rio about two months of the year, during which time he rendered the cause splendid service. Since Bro. Taylor returned to Bahia, I have had the management of the house. We are thankful that in spite of the small force of workers we have been able to keep the work together and publish all the periodicals that were proposed by Bro. Entzminger at the beginning of the year. We are praying the Lord to bless Bro. Entzminger in his efforts to get a press, and we hope soon to see the Publishing House in a building of its own.

O *Jornal Baptista* is the denominational organ for all the Baptist churches in Brazil. It has had a good circulation this year, and we have heard many kindly words spoken about it from all sources. It is now a fixture in the denominational life of the Baptist work in Brazil. It goes into hundreds of homes, where the voice of the preacher is never heard. It has been the purpose of those who have had the management of the "Jornal" to make it an evangelizing force as well as a medium by which to teach our doctrines and carry the news. It has a good circulation among other denominations, with whom we have lived in perfect peace this year. A Catholic journal, called "The Cruzada," has made constant attacks on "The Jornal Baptista," which we have met in kindly, Christian spirit. We believe these attacks have brought our cause favorably before the Catholic public far better than we could have done it. The Jornal has been published three times a month, each issue being 2,000.

O *Infantile*.—This little paper has been published twice a month, and has proven to be a success. The stories for children and the simple method of teaching the Sunday school lessons have attracted the attention of the fathers and mothers so that they, too, are interested in it, and read it. We must do something to reach the children of our Brazilian Baptists, and this has been one of the most powerful means employed this year. There have been 19,200 copies of this little messenger of love scattered over this great republic, and we think the Lord, who took the little ones in His arms, will not allow this work to be fruitless.

The International Sunday School Lesson.

We have secured, through the Publishing House of another denomination, the International Sunday School Lesson leaf, which we have furnished to all of our churches. We have sent out dur-

ing the year about 9,600 copies of the Sunday School Lesson. It served its purpose till we could do better. We are now publishing the Sunday School Lessons in the *Jornal Baptista*, which will, at least, give us the Baptist Sunday School Lessons, and we can thus teach our doctrines through our denominational organ.

The Publishing House got out the two little books that were in the press at the close of last year—namely, Dr. Rothwell's "Drills in Bible Study" and "Power from on High," by Bro. Entzminger. The edition of the former was 1,200, and of the latter 1,000. We are now translating two books that we hope to publish as soon as possible, "Romanism in its Home," by Dr. J. H. Eager, and a charming little book by Margaret E. Sangster, "The Joyful Life." The greatest work we can possibly do now through our Publishing House is to build up a good, evangelical literature. There is but little in this language that we as Christians can give to our families and friends to read without feeling that we thus do them harm. Our Endeavor and Young People's Societies are doing what they can to get libraries, but the books that we can recommend for this purpose are few and costly.

The Publishing House has published 220,400 pages of books, 60,000 copies of the *Jornal Baptista*, 18,000 copies of the "Infantile," 10,000 pages of tracts. The Publishing House has spent for all purposes this year \$5,400; it has received from the sale of books, tracts, and subscriptions of "*O Jornal Baptista*," and "*O Infantile*," \$3,400.

We are thankful for the blessings of the past, and we are looking for yet greater things in the year to come, "And lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." This is the basis of all our hope for success in Brazil.

Report of Sao Paulo Mission, by J. J. Taylor and W. B. Bagby.

With hearts full of gratitude we cast our eyes back over the year past, now numbered with all those whose records stand before the Giver of all good. He has continued to put His seal on our work by preserving our lives and giving us sons and daughters in the Lord. He has given us open doors and helped us to enter them to take possession for Him. He has held the enemy in check so that we have not been overwhelmed by the flood of persecution planned against us.

First, let us view our working force. We consist of two men and three women missionaries, two ordained native workers, and the "boys," young men who have studied and worked faithfully with us, some, all the year and others part.

Then we have a look at our field of operations and the manner of cultivating it. We have, all told, eight organized churches and a goodly number of out-stations. Two churches now exist that were organized since our last report, a year ago. However, two of the eight now have no regular services.

Sao Paulo Church.—This church was organized five and a half years ago, and has in this time given a church home to about 130 persons of some twelve nationalities. It might be interesting to note here the cosmopolitan nature of the membership. We have American, English, Spanish, French, Italian, Portuguese, Brazilian, African, German, Pole, Russian, besides several mixed races. Among the members there are comparatively few true

Brazilians, due, no doubt, to the predominance of foreigners. Feeling thus impressed we had the church to call a quasi native pastor. He is an Italian married to a Brazilian, and has been here in the country many years. It was a great mistake, and the church went visibly down during the few months of his pastorate, and so another change had to be made. However, the church began a good work in contributing to his support, and has continued to be self-helpful by helping to pay the rent on the building. The church is suffering greatly for want of a proper house for the services. We are using the cemented ground floor of a three-story building, quite to one side of the district where we are trying to build up a permanent interest. It is quite out of the question to find a proper house ready to hand. We greatly need a house of our own, and the church has entered upon the struggle to this end, looking to the Board for help. The church has received during the year 35 members, 15 by baptism and 20 by letter. Bro. J. J. Taylor is the pastor since the retirement of the native brother, and has as his special helper a student, Bro. Geo. D. W. Schneider, while Bro. Bagby and the other students work the outside field.

Jundiahy Church, an hour's run further in the interior, has been pastorless since about March, but has had regular services every week by preachers from here, and has had an encouraging ingathering of souls. On the 16th of December this church had the honor of entertaining the first session of the Association of the churches of the mission, and on the same occasion the pleasure of baptizing two candidates. Jundiahy is a fine centre, but we have no suitable man to put there at present.

Campinas Church has been pastorless ever since May of last year, and the church can do nothing without a resident pastor. Various brethren have preached there irregularly, to hold the brethren together until we may see more clearly what may be done. At present there are some seeking baptism.

The Santa Barbara Church, still further up the line, is composed of American colonists, and was organized some thirty-five years ago, but little or no progress is being made, except that the outlook grew brighter during the year. A new brick church house was built and dedicated for the use of the three denominations represented in the colony. The Baptists are far stronger in numbers than the others together. Besides this new house, we have another excellent chapel at our command either for English or Portuguese preaching. This also is for all the churches, and stands in the town near the railroad, while the other is several miles away. Then, too, in the old town of Santa Barbara we can have a good audience when we choose to preach there. Not far away from the station of Villa Americana is a cotton mill, where Bro. Bagby has preached once, with the privilege to do so again when he wishes. The people of all that large section would be glad to have a resident preacher of any denomination, and in all probability would almost support him, if he were an American and would have a school—a much needed institution for the scores of bright boys and girls growing up in almost total ignorance.

The Limeira Church is still further away, about an hour's run,

and is under the care of Bro. Herman Gartner. The church was organized in March, and now numbers 22 members, and is working firmly to gain souls for the Master's service. For the new year the pastor will divide his time between this church and work in some other places.

The Piracicaba Church is in the same plight as that of Campinas. It is too far away to be worked from Sao Paulo, and we have no man for the work at present. Coming back the railroad, passing by Sao Paulo and on down to the seaside, we take a look at—

The Santos Church. It was organized nearly two years ago with six members. For a year the work was hard and apparently fruitless, but no one lost hope. We succeeded during the year in taking our "Port Arthur," and have had the satisfaction of baptizing 14 candidates. The brethren are organizing their forces for renewed endeavors against the enemy, and no doubt during the new year many will be their victories.

Now, leaving Santos, the seaport city of all this great State, we return to see the baby church—the youngest of all—the Alto da Serra. We scarcely know just how to locate the formation of this church. For weeks, not to say one or two months, all or nearly all the material was ready and waiting for the "word of institution" to declare the church organized, which word was pronounced only a few days since the old year expired. As the work was all done during the year, we commence this the second church organized in 1904. The history of the work there is quite interesting, and merits a separate letter. We remember with gratitude that the superintendent of the English railroad gives us a splendid house for our services, and the little church of ten new converts proposes to pay the travelling expenses of a preacher from here two Sundays a month, while the mission will pay for two.

Thus ends a rapid sketch of the churches in this mission. A similar sketch of the out-stations in and out of the cities and towns where the churches exist would call for quite as much space. Wherever believers fix their residence in places distant from the churches there we may expect soon to have an out-station, and then, as has frequently happened, a little church. It is thus that almost all the churches and out-stations of this mission have come into tillable condition.

The open doors are growing in numbers and wideness, and the only reason we do not report many more out-stations is not for want of opportunities, but rather for want of more men and travelling funds. We cannot answer all the calls we now have, and God seems to confirm each call that we are able to answer.

"A Uniao Paulistana" is the name of the new Association organized in Judiahy on December 16th by messengers from the churches. The work was new and the brethren, wholly inexperienced, seemed awkward at first, but soon laid hold, and for three days did valiant service. We put native brethren into all the offices, and on the principal permanent committee—that of evangelization. They recognize the importance of self-help and the inability of the mission to do all that needs to be done. There was an enthusiastic waking up along this line, and now, already the committee is planning a meeting here next week to formulate

plans for bringing the churches into active co-operation. We can hardly hope for much visible results before the next meeting of the Association, next July, only six months after its organization. Brazilian Christians are beginning to feel the importance of independence of help from the Board, and we encourage them along this line.

Two More Institutions are to be numbered among the agencies at work to bring souls into the kingdom of Christ. The first of these is the school owned and presided over by Mrs. Anne L. Bagby. The school receives no appropriation from the Board, except the salary of a teacher, Miss Ermine Bagby. It employs and pays from receipts from tuition four teachers, all of whom are Christians. Up to the present time the school has received girls only with the exception of small boys in the kindergarten, and some few up to ten years of age. It has been found necessary to open an annex for large boys in a separate building and under the same management as the girls' department. The school has grown in public favor, and during the year ninety pupils have been in attendance. Religious evangelical teaching is done in the school, and three pupils were baptized during the year. We hope to make this institution the nucleus of a great school in the future, which shall be a powerful factor in our work.

The Evangelical Book Store, established early in the year, is beginning to make itself felt in half the States of the republic. Only since August has it assumed anything like a prosperous position, owing to inexperience and bad management of the native man who directed it up to that time. In August it passed under the hands of one of the students—a married man and hitherto native helper in Santos. Hundreds of volumes of the Scriptures—Bibles, New Testaments and portions—have been sold in these few months, and principally in this city, where a goodly number of colporters are constantly at work. Besides Scriptures, nearly a thousand hymn books have gone to many parts of the country. Multiplied thousands of pages of Gospel tracts, too, have found their way into the hands of readers. We hope to bring the business up to a point where it will be self-sustaining. This may be in the course of the new year. Meanwhile we need some funds above the receipts of the business.

Outlook for 1905.

First. The greater needs of the Rio mission induced us to give up one of our ordained native helpers, and thus Santos church became pastorless, and will have to be worked from here mostly by our "boys," with a monthly visit from a missionary. Some of the out-stations will probably not be so closely worked as they have been this year—partly for want of sufficient force, and partly because we want to begin a few new places.

Second. We feel that some time during the year another missionary should be sent to this mission to prepare himself for the work. Already there is much work to be done, and a breathing spell must come in the next two years to one or both of the missionaries now on the field.

Third. We close the old year with grateful hearts and begin the new with hope. We have not been free from sickness and

sorrow, but we forget the things that are behind and press forward, hoping, working, praying and trusting. May God help us!

Annual Report of Bahia Mission, by Z. C. Taylor.

Bro. Francisco has done a noble work. Two new churches were organized by him. As you see, we have only 163 baptisms for 1904, due in part to my being away four months in Rio editing the paper, and thereby not being able to get to many of the pastorless churches.

Three new church houses were built. The \$100 offered by the Board to each church that will build has inspired all the churches, and each one eagerly waits her time. Of the \$2,761 contributed, \$450 was gotten through the Native Mission Society, and about \$1,000 was for houses of worship. The mission society employed three men, one in the State of Espirito Santo for six months, one in the southwestern part of Bahia State for two months, and one in this city for four months.

The spiritual condition of the churches is far below what it should be, due to the little attention one missionary can give to the twenty-one churches now in this mission. Brethren Reno and Pettigrew were a great reinforcement to this mission. Bro. Reno selected immediately the State of Espirito Santo as his field, and moved to it. Bro. Pettigrew is still here preparing himself in the language, not yet having decided on any special field. We are still urgently needing a man to take charge of the literary, theological and training school.

The work in this city needs to be enlarged. Our present house of worship has served us well, and will continue to do so, but it is on a back street, and we feel the time has come to have an additional hall in a select and resident part of the city, a mile distant from the present church.

As you see, we have nine church houses, with a membership of 1,071. Most of our native pastors and leaders are struggling on, fighting the first battles of church government and independence. The churches contribute but little as yet, so each pastor has his trade to help out—one is a tinner, another a shoemaker, another a farmer, and so on. I give them a small help when I see their work prospering, and keep them supplied with Bibles, tracts etc.

Aged Bro. Domingues continues to help me as colporter. Bro. Edmundo has been in our home, helping in the school while preparing for the ministry. Bro. Constantino, the blind brother, has been taking lessons in English in order to pursue his course of preparation. He goes out with me and plays a little organ, and sometimes directs worship, reading the Bible in "blind" letters.

The school had quite a shock on account of the Bubonic pest, having matriculated 114, some ten or fifteen less than in former years. The school, while doing its own work of development and character building, gives tone and standing to our mission work. It is in great need of better quarters and locality. Though overtaxed, Mrs. Taylor pushed through another year. Miss Goolsby continued her work with efficiency in the kindergarten.

Bro. Jackson has done a good year's work, having visited sev-

eral towns in his steam launch and others on horseback, besides having superintended the construction of the church building at Santa Ritta. He baptized 46. The work is more progressive in the country than in the cities, and the membership is of a better quality. It pays to extend the work interior. I made the long trip to Conquisto, and find a flourishing church there of 150 members two hundred and fifty miles from Bahia, under the leadership of a native pastor. They had built a spacious meeting house and a pastorium, they sustaining the pastor. A wonderful work of transformation was wrought in the lives of many.

Many hundreds of Bibles and portions of Scripture and thousands of tracts were scattered as seed on the waters.

The Campos Mission, by A. L. Dunstan.

We are now at the close of another very glorious year's work in the vineyard of our Master. The experience of each year brings new ideas by which we can profit in after years. I see more each day of the necessity of instructing the believers in their duty toward our Lord. It is not necessary to say that the uncultivated plants produce but little fruit.

During this year I have devoted more time to the strengthening of the brethren and inciting to activity in our Lord's work. And I thank God that I see more fruit among them. The churches are increasing in spirituality; the congregations are larger, and the contributions for the extension of the work a great deal better.

Evangelistic work is extensively carried on by the brethren. Many of them leave their work and homes to go at their own expense to tell the story of the cross, and as a result of these efforts many interesting congregations spring up.

During the year one new house of worship has been built, and one bought. The one built is in Ernesto Machado. The greater part of the funds were raised among her own members, and the house will be completed free from debt. The church in Apesibe bought a house built for a dwelling, and as soon as the debt shall have been liquidated it will be overhauled and put in condition for the worship of her members.

One new church has been organized. It was organized close to a railway station, known as Guriry, about ten or twelve miles from Campos. Some five or six have been baptized since her organization. The long since dead church of Guandu was declared out of existence.

For the greater part of the year we have had six native helpers. Though the Board does not send us funds for this number, the Lord has enabled us to support them while they tell of His love. All internal expenses are borne by the churches so the mission does nothing but help support their pastors. Three of our congregations are raising funds for the construction of houses, and I trust to see at least two begin operations before the close of the ensuing year.

Our church in Lavias do Rio Bonito is still suffering at the hands of the persecutors. A great number of brethren have retired from there in order to have peace. Some new out-stations have been established, some of which could well be organized into churches, but we think it best to wait until the

brethren are well instructed as to their duty to God as an organized church. I have found it to be a wise policy to count the cost before beginning operations.

One of the new out-stations, where I now live, is Cantagallo (cock crow). I have great hopes of this field, though I realize that it is a difficult place. It is a place in which there is a lot of aristocracy and the last to accept the Lord is the aristocrat. But in spite of aristocracy and indifference, I see some fruit. I have been here but three months, and there have already been some conversions, but none have as yet been baptized. The congregations are very large and attentive.

In the section of country surrounding Cantagallo are some of the largest coffee farms in the State of Rio. And some of these farmers are becoming very friendly to the Gospel. May the Master help us reach them with His glorious message.

The more intelligent class of Brazilians is beginning to observe the cruelties and falsity of Romanism. But after seeing these things, the greater difficulty comes, which is a collapse into religious indifference. This makes a class hard to reach with the Gospel. I am encouraged to work for our dear Lord as I have never been before. And I trust that you shall constantly hold me up in your communion with God in order that He may give me more strength to battle for His kingdom.

Report of the Pernambuco Mission, by W. H. Cannada.

The work of the year gives evidence of a steady and upward march, and seems to be characterized by a progressive and healthful growth. The number of baptisms is not quite as large as was reported last year, being this year 229, but the sum total of results, when considered from all points of view, will compare favorably with any previous year. Our special effort this year has been to develop the churches already established into a more spiritual and effective working force. Almost every church at present is contributing regularly to pastoral support, and on each fifth Sunday a collection is taken for the benefit of our Theological Training School. In this way we are hoping to develop an intimate and vital relation between our Seminary and the churches.

During the first half of the year our work continued on the same plans that had been followed the year before, Bro. Ginsburg taking the general direction of the work, while I had charge of the Seminary. But when Mr. and Mrs. Ginsburg left for the States to take their much-needed rest, leaving the entire work in my hands, I found it necessary to make some changes. For instance, instead of having our Seminary work every day, as had been our custom, I arranged for each student to take charge of a certain church or mission station and during the month preach and study. At the end of the month they would all come together into a kind of pastor's conference and put in a week of real school work. In this way our Seminary has done great good. The work has been a blessing to the students, and the students have been a great blessing to the cause.

Pernambuco Field.—The State of Pernambuco has ten organized churches and some twenty-five or thirty preaching stations. There are two missionaries, three ordained native pastors, and seven ministerial students.

Recife.—This is the headquarters for our work, and is considered the mother church. This church has a good, enthusiastic Sunday school, a ladies' aid society and evangelization committee. The church sustains seven out-stations.

Financially, this has been a hard year with these faithful brethren. They have been struggling to pay off a debt of about \$500 which was contracted in building our house of worship. The work on the building has been at a standstill for want of funds. We thought it wise to pay this debt first, that we might get a full breath and take a new start. In the Recife church alone there were 82 baptisms.

Goyanna.—This little church has been without a pastor for three years, and has had great difficulty in keeping up her work. Were it not for a faithful deacon, who has conducted services every Sunday, the doors would be closed. One of our Seminary students has recently located here, and it seems that the work is taking on new life. Goyanna is one of the largest cities in the State, and it is to be hoped that it may develop into a real Christian city.

Ilheitas, Onteiro and Muganga.—These three churches form a country field, the two extreme churches, Ilheitas and Muganga, being about forty-two miles apart.

The Ilheitas church is one of the most active and spiritual churches I have ever seen. These brethren have built with their own efforts a splendid brick house of worship, and the Lord added to them by baptism 24. The other two churches have both done well. One of our students, a native of Ilheitas, has charge of these three churches. He is doing a fine work. We have bought him a horse, and so he goes through the country selling Bibles and preaching the Gospel. He is a country boy among country folk. No pastor was ever more highly respected and appreciated than is he among his people.

Nazareth.—For a couple of years this church has been on what appeared to be a "standstill." So with the hope that it might take on new life, we recommended a change of pastor, which resulted in Rev. Francisco Sandes being called to the care of the church. The former pastor, Rev. John Barges, has moved to Recife to work as evangelist of the Recife church.

Timbauba.—I have nothing of encouragement to write of this work. I think I would be safe in saying that no church in the mission has received more attention and harder work than this, but with no apparent results whatever. The members have proved themselves unworthy of the name of Christians. The young student who had charge of this place became so discouraged that it was thought best to give up the work, at least for the present.

Cortez.—This place was the scene of a very bitter persecution during the year. On one occasion the Catholic priest, accompanied by the chief authorities of the place, entered the house of worship, while the pastor was preaching, and drove out the believers and closed the doors. This same group, led by the priest, went from house to house compelling the believers to burn their Bibles and religious papers. They caught one old man and made him sweep the streets, all because he was a disciple of Jesus.

Garanhuns.—This little church is still struggling, which proves that there is life. One faithful deacon has managed to keep the work together.

New Places Opened.—In the State of Pernambuco we have opened three new preaching stations.

Carpina.—This little church is one of the marvels of the year's work. Carpina was considered one of the hardest places in the State for the Gospel to enter. One reason of this, I suppose, is because it is where the leader of the great persecution in Cachoeiro lives. But our God is mightier than men. In November of 1903 the two missionary families moved from Recife to Carpina to get a better climate for the hot months. In a short time a very flourishing church was organized, which is being greatly blessed of God. One fact worthy of note is that from the date of their organization every member has hastily paid the tithe of all his earnings.

Jocara.—This is a place far into the interior. An old man heard of the Gospel and invited one of our pastors to come to his house that he might see what it was. He was converted, and when the native pastor went back the next time the old man had built a baptistery with his own hands to be baptized. The outlook is good for the establishment of a flourishing church.

Cabo.—The young student who became discouraged with the work in Timbauba one day invited another fellow-student to go with him to Cabo to see what the outlook might be for work. They spent almost the entire day in walking up and down the streets without telling anybody their business. As they were about ready to leave without having found any encouragement whatever, they saw a large frame hanging on the wall as they passed the door of a certain house, and in this frame was a verse of Scripture in large letters. One said to the other: "There are Christians in that house, because I see the sign." And sure enough, when they knocked at the door they found three very devout believers. This was the beginning of what promises to be one of our most prosperous fields. We have not organized a church here yet, but there are at least twenty persons converted.

Alagoas Field.—The entire State of Alagoas is ripe for the Gospel. There are quite a number of places which are begging for the Gospel. But we have no preachers to send them. In the entire State there are two pastors and two evangelists.

Maceio.—Here we have a most active and progressive church under the leadership of Rev. Pedro Falcan. The church sustains a flourishing Sunday school, a ladies' aid Society, and an evangelization committee. This church is in great need of a good house of worship. The church had 50 baptisms during the year.

Pilar.—This is a new church, under the care of Bro. Pedro Falcao; and is another church in which every member tithes his earnings for the Lord. The development of this little church has been marvellous. It is noted for its spirituality.

Penedo.—This little church, organized and pastored from its organization by Rev. Antonio Marques, has been the scene of bitter contentions and divisions. And as a result of the whole affair, the minority excluded the majority, and the pastor re-

signed. I have not been able to visit this church, but hope they will soon all get in line and work for Christ.

Rio Largo.—This is a very thriving little church. Young, but deeply spiritual and enthusiastic in the Master's service. The brethren are putting forth every effort to build a new house of worship.

The Seminary and Boys' School.—The work done by the students of the Seminary this year, on the whole, has been very satisfactory. One of our last year's students was discontinued on having proved himself unworthy of the high calling to which he aspired. All the others have continued their studies and without a single exception passed the examinations. I have been preparing one of our brightest students to help me in the teaching. For this purpose he has been taking a special course in one of the colleges in the city. We were greatly rejoiced that he stood at the head of the class in the college examinations. One of the great blessings to our school work during the year was the conversion of ex-priest Jose Piani, who was professor in one of the Catholic colleges of Recife. He is well educated, and has some five or six years of practice in teaching. With these two young men, the young priest and one student, Alcino Coelho, we have decided to open, during the new year, our boys' school.

We had been praying to our Heavenly Father to open the way by which we should be able to open this school, and we are sure that in the conversion of Jose Piani the Lord has answered our prayers.

It is our purpose to develop this school into a first class Christian college. But to do this we shall need one or two more good teachers and the means by which to sustain the work. May our good Master incline the heart of some good, consecrated Christian teacher to give his life to this great work, and, also put it into the hearts of His children to contribute of their means for the support of the school work.

Report of Amazon Valley Mission, by E. A. Nelson.

The year 1904 opened with great promise for the Amazon Valley, but ended beneath a great cloud. In the first place, I had to leave on account of sickness, being away nearly seven months. Then came the death of Bro. Hamilton, which has crippled the work very much. We will feel its effects for years. But the work done by him will live forever. "Blessed are those who die in the Lord," and twice blessed those who die with their armor on. He will never be forgotten in this valley.

Para.—To report Bro. Hamilton's work for the year 1904 is really impossible, since his death cut short what would otherwise have been a great advance. He kept two men busy preaching in Castanha, Pinheiro and Mosqueiro. The building of the church house would have been finished by the end of the year had he not died. He wrote for our paper here in Manaos, and scattered thousands of tracts. He preached in different parts of the city almost every night—Mrs. Hamilton helping with her beautiful voice and with the organ. She went five hundred miles up the great river in order to help her husband in the work. She had a large part in this his last work. The church almost doubled under Bro. Hamilton's care, both in numbers and power.

Pinheiro.—The church here was under Bro. Hamilton's immediate care. They have put up a small but nice building, and the church has increased in numbers. It is near Para, and so is easily taken care of. It ought to have a bright future.

Santarem.—This church, five hundred miles up the river, has been under the care of Rev. E. B. Alves. They suffered a great deal of persecution in the first part of the year, but remaining firm they gained the victory. The principal persecutor was obliged to leave town. The church has grown, and has a bright future. It has the promise of a building lot, and has some money, and ought to be able to build soon. It is an important point, and must be looked after.

May God soon send a man to take care of the work in this the lower Amazon Valley.

The Central and Upper Amazon Work, with headquarters at Manaos, has suffered this year, owing to my sickness and absence seven months. Then at the death of Bro. Hamilton my own field had to be neglected. We have, therefore, the smallest number of baptisms for years, and the largest numbers of exclusions. We have diminished in numbers, but we hope not in usefulness, and that even this will work out for the glory of God.

In the month of January I made a trip up the Madeira river as far as the Madeira Falls. I found some good, large towns that need the Gospel. In at least three of them entrance would be easy. I sold hundreds of Bibles and scattered tracts in great numbers. On my return I became sick. My family had to leave for the same reason, and I was invited to stop a while in the States in order to recuperate my lost strength. I returned in the latter part of October. My time has since been divided between Para and Manaos.

Manaos.—The church has kept up the work in the city and in the suburbs. It also printed a small paper, supported in part the Rev. Manoel Gomes dos Santos in the interior, and has gained some experience.

Poponha.—One small church was organized by Santos in the month of February, but owing to the difficulty of travelling, it has not had the necessary care. It is called Poponha, and is located on the banks of a lake by that name, quite a distance from the main river.

Eureka.—This place is on the Solimoes (as the Amazon is called above Manaos). The church here is also under the care of Bro. Santos, and has kept up regular services during the year.

Quem Diria.—This is on the main river, and is the home of Bro. Santos. Several have been baptized here, and meetings have been kept up, although for some time the place was covered with water on account of an exceptionally high flood. No one who has not lived on the great river has any idea of what it means to preach among a people ruined by drink and the coca (erythrozylon) habit, together with the demoralizing influence of the priest's life and teaching. Mosquitoes, buffalo gnats and other insects are very annoying while one tries to preach.

In the interior it is almost impossible to get a man to row or paddle your canoe unless you give "cachaca" (cane rum), which acts on the people like magic. They will do anything for you if you keep it, and little if you do not. Only natives can live in the woods, consequently the work must necessarily be slow.

MEXICO.



ENTRANCE TO ALAMEDA PARK, DURANGO, MEXICO.

In front of our New Church Building, to be dedicated May 14, '05.

MISSIONARIES AND LOCATION.

NORTH MEXICO.

Saltillo.—G. H. Lacy, Mrs. Lacy.

Torreon, State of Coahuila.—J. S. Cheavens, Mrs. Cheavens,
A. C. Watkins.

Durango.—Frank Marrs, Mrs. Marrs.

Chihuahua.—J. W. Newbrough, Mrs. Newbrough.

Hermosillo.—W. F. Hatchell, Mrs. Hatchell.

SOUTH MEXICO.

Guadalajara.—J. G. Chastain, Mrs. Chastain.

Morelia, State of Michoacan.—D. H. LeSueur, Mrs. LeSueur,
M. E. Dodd, Mrs. Dodd.

Toluca, State of Mexico.—R. P. Mahon, Mrs. Mahon, Miss
Addie Barton, J. E. Davis, Mrs. Davis, Miss R. A. Shantz.

Leon.—R. W. Hooker, Mrs. Hooker.

NORTH MEXICO.

Report of the Torreon Field, by J. S. Cheavens.

With pleasure we report better conditions this year than those of last. The church in Torreon has grown, and owing to the efforts of the students, the Sunday school has nearly doubled in numbers and more than doubled in interest.

But it is outside of Torreon that the greatest change is to be noted. Last year but for the kindness of Bro. Marrs the field would not have been visited by a missionary. This year Bro. Watkins has been able to devote his whole time to the field work with most gratifying results. Since his return to Mexico in October, 1904, he has held meetings in Torreon, San Pedro, Muzquiz, C. Porfirio Diaz, Nieves and Colotlan, and in every place except the last there have been additions to the churches and a revival spirit. He is at this writing in Colotlan, and we hope to hear the same good report from that point.

In addition to the work Bro. Watkins is doing, Rev. Pablo Rodriguez is giving all his time to the evangelistic work on the frontier, especially in the new towns in the recently discovered coal region. His labors have been greatly blessed.

We are asking the Lord for a thousand souls in Mexico this year. The blessings our brethren have received in Africa and Brazil have made us covetous of the best gifts. Will you not help us pray that our hearts' desire may be granted?

Report of the Torreon Training School.

We have had a good year's work in the Training School. The trials and difficulties have not been few, but in spite of them all the Lord has been gracious to us. We have had insufficient room all the year; a suitable house could not be found and the students have had poor dormitories, and we have held our classes in the church and in the dining-room of the mission house.

The health of the students has been good, one of them had to leave on account of ill health and one on account of sickness in the home.

We enrolled nineteen students this year. We have had but one case of discipline. One student showed a bad spirit, and we had to expel him. The class work of the boys has been good. We have made a beginning in Greek and Latin, have done excellent work in Church History, Christian Evidences, General History, English, Harmony of the Gospels and in other subjects.

Our course of study is designed to cover five years, and this year we have carried on the work of four classes—that is, four years' work. It is too heavy for two men, the director has taught on an average of six hours a day during this session. Next year the work will be heavier, as we hope to carry on the work of the five classes. In this connection I wish to speak of the efficient help of Rev. Andres Rodriguez, who came to Torreon from Muzquiz. He has taken a lively interest in all the work of the school as well as carrying on some special classes, to better prepare himself for the position he holds.

The students have not been negligent of the needy peoples at our doors. They have preached twice a month at San Pedro, Viesca, Parras, and Mapimi, and every Sunday at Lerdo, besides holding four services every Sunday afternoon in different parts of the city. Our school stands for the evangelization of Mexico and of the world.

With a deep sense of gratitude we mention the grant of the Board of \$7,000 for our buildings. We feel that this is God's work, and we are thankful to His people for their loving generosity in thus giving to sustain it.

Report of Rev. A. C. Watkins, Torreon.

On account of illness in my family I had to be away much of the time during the year. Since returning to the field in October, I have been most of the time in evangelistic work. Have visited thirty-two towns and cities, made many personal visits, travelled 3,600 miles, and preached many times. Thirty-five have been added, on profession of faith and baptism, to the churches in connection with my work. I spent ten days in Zacatecas super-

vising the work there. I also spent eighteen days in Saltillo assisting in putting Madero Institute in good order, preparatory to the opening of the school. God is graciously blessing the work.

Durango Field, by Frank Marrs.

Missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Frank Marrs. Ordained native minister, Sr. Reinaldo A. Martinez. Unordained native minister, Sr. Jose Ramirez. On account of death in his family, the missionary in charge was compelled to be absent from the field for several months during the year. The native minister was at work nearly all the year in another part of the republic. However, one of our brightest young students from our Theological Training School at Torreon spent his vacation at this place, and did very acceptable work.

No great gains in numbers can be reported, but with perhaps a majority there is evidence of a "growth in grace." Our church has had 11 additions during the year. A live B. Y. P. U. has been organized, which has already wonderfully developed some of our younger members. Our Sunday school, as ever, received our very best attention, and is being blessed of God to the instruction of young and old in the doctrines of the Bible. Without undue boasting, permit us to say that it would be difficult to find anywhere congregations better versed in the Bible than are some of the mission Sunday schools in Mexico.

In November, 1904, the Durango church passed its fifth milestone, being organized in 1899, and it served as an epoch making period in our work. For at just about this time a contract was let for erecting a nice chapel and a good mission home. We are planning to dedicate this chapel at about the time of the meeting of the Convention at Kansas City. These are your buildings, brethren, and rejoice with us during the dedication and let us all pray they may be the means of adding greatly to the Lord's cause in this chiefest of all fanatical cities in Mexico.

Outlying Work.—All points that can be reached from Durango as a centre are in the mountains. The cost is so great and most of the places so inaccessible that visits to these districts cannot be made often. We keep a mountain colporter, an unordained, but good and zealous worker. He sells and distributes Bibles, tracts, etc., and is doing a work that is telling, and will more and more. In one point in the San Juan Valley the prospects are flattering for organizing a little congregation of some fifteen to twenty members. Some have already been baptized, and others are about ready.

At another point, San Dimas, midway between Durango and Mazatlan, on the Pacific coast, one of our students spent his vacation. He reports some twelve or fifteen believers there, and so soon as we can leave our building work (now requiring our constant attention), we hope to visit and possibly establish a church there.

There seems now a certainty that the railroad, so long projected from Durango to Mazatlan, will be begun during the year 1905. Then we will have opened for us direct communication to the Pacific coast, and a fine field for work.

The work is difficult and slow, but it is the Lord's, and in Him

all things are possible. With Paul we say, "I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me."—Phil. 4: 13.

Report of G. H. Lacy, Saltillo.

Churches.—On the Saltillo field we have three centres of work. In Saltillo, with the help of Bro. S. Dominguez, we have regular church, Sunday school and prayer services every week. The attendance upon these services is growing. We are expecting many additions during this year. The presence of our school girls is a great help in these services. We also have in a distant part of the city an out-station, at which regular services are held every Sunday. Another centre is General Cepeda, in which we have a faithful little church, with which Bro. Santiago Valero is laboring. He not only preaches at General Cepeda, but also at two or three points out from this place. We are trying also to revive the work at the little city of Parras. Our third centre is Galeana. At this place we have located Bro. Jesus Arredondo, who preaches at this place and a number of surrounding towns. We have in this district two or three small churches. They are just about completing a church building at Galeana. On this field there are a number reported ready for baptism. These are all hard, difficult fields. We have one continued battle to make against indifference and fanaticism. Our brethren are faithful and brave, and by the Lord's blessing they are seeing more and more the fruits of their labors. We lean upon God's promises and powers for victory. This year our little church at Saltillo expects to give \$50 for missions.

Madero Institute.—Our work in Madero Institute is to give the opportunities of a thorough Christian education to all who can be induced to become pupils. We have a thorough, high grade course of study, rigid examinations, much practical instruction regarding work, etc., with the constant ideal of a developed Christian life before us. The Bible occupies a prominent place as a text-book in all departments. In addition to the regular Bible work, the most advanced girls are organized into a training class for Christian work. They make a study of the most important doctrines, an outline of church history, with much instruction in the practical use of the Bible. Also from time to time they are taken from house to house with tracts to distribute and to learn how to reach people in a personal way. Our girls are all poor. A large number can pay nothing, but as a whole they are not surpassed for piety and studiousness in any land. At present we are in great need of a second story for dormitory room. I fear our sleeping space will be very much crowded before the end of this year, and some will be compelled to occupy rooms with damp floors. Oh, that some benevolent brother would give us about \$1,500 for this object. We manage to feed the girls on about four dollars (United States money) per month. At the opening of this year heavy clouds of sorrow are hanging over us in the sudden loss of all our children and the necessity of only receiving boarders, rejecting all day pupils on account of the terrible disease in the city. In the darkness of sorrow we trust our Father and wish only to live that we may glorify His holy name, and in being a blessing to this people, whom we love.

Report of J. W. Newbrough, Chihuahua.

The year has been one of great trial to me. My dear wife was suddenly called from the scenes of labor to the blessed rest that remains for the people of God. In addition to the sole care of my five children left motherless, and the work so difficult at best, now far more difficult that my consecrated and sweet spirited wife could no longer help me, my aged mother was taken dangerously ill in a month from the death of my wife, and after long months of most intense suffering is left a permanent cripple. But the Lord has not forgotten us, and has given us many sweet assurances of His presence. Though I was for the reasons just mentioned unable to do scarcely anything for some months, the year has not been without some blessings, for which we are profoundly grateful. I have baptized four and received several others by letters. Our little church has grown some in numbers, but more in strength and fitness for work. We are trying to do what we can. For many months we have had an average of seven services a week, not counting our English services. All of these I attend personally, and most of them I direct, as for some months I have had no native helper. In order to open a new work some sixty miles away, I sent my helper to this point. It is exceedingly sad to have all about me a great needy field and only one helper for the entire State. I could use six men at once in needy and important points in this State, the largest in the republic, but I must work, pray and wait. One of my own members feels called to preach, and in His own way and time the Lord will come to our rescue.

Our American work has continued, but has suffered because I could not give it more attention. I am more and more impressed that we dare not leave this growing American population out of our calculations in this city. They are here to stay and increase and to help, if not neglected, but to put us to shame if their religious interests are neglected.

A year ago I secured Bro. J. H. Benson to take charge of my English day school. This work has grown steadily and has shown what an opportunity we have. Our school has enrolled 100 students for this session, one-fourth of whom are Mexicans. It is doing the work of a real mission school without, so far, having one dollar of mission money put into it. The Board's attention is called to this school, which, modestly, yet I trust deservedly, hopes to be recognized as one of the real forces at work for the Master. Baptists are behind in school work in Mexico, and the missionaries are made to feel it to our pain and shame. What is rain at home is mire here. As Baptists we must educate or see other denominations occupy ground we have no right to give up to them.

As yet we have no chapel nor property of our own for any purpose. We are using a small hall 16x32 feet, but the best available, and fortunately in a good location. But many will not enter as they feel it is only a private house. A chapel would help our work immensely. Longingly we look forward to the day when we can build the Lord a house in Chihuahua.

Report of Hermosillo Field, by W. F. Hatchell.

The Board having decided to open up work in this part of

Mexico, we arrived in Hermosillo in the first days of December, 1904, for the purpose of establishing work in this new field, leaving Morelia, where we had spent nearly four years. We began at once to look over the field and to study the conditions and needs of this hitherto neglected territory. Our State, though not as yet densely populated, is one of the largest States of the Mexican Republic, but the Baptists have never done any work in it before. We found five or six Baptists at Cananea, a large mining town of some twenty thousand people. These are the only Baptists as far as I have been able to find out in all this large field. They moved in from other fields. We need very badly a native preacher to open up work at this point. Then at Guaymas, a seaport town, we should open up work at once. Besides, there are numerous smaller places where we should have work. However, these places will have to be almost altogether neglected until some other workers can join us.

Hermosillo, the missionaries' home, is the capital of our State, Sonora, with a population of some fifteen thousand. Here we shall spend most of our time for the present in starting the work off, and it is to be the base for operations in after years in extending the work. We are now more than a thousand miles distant from our other nearest missionary, but we are hoping to have direct connection with our other missions within a few years, which will diminish the distance by about half.

Will not the friends of missions pray for the blessings of the Lord upon our new work, as well as by their contributions make it possible for the Board to send more laborers to this needy field?

SOUTH MEXICO.

Report of J. G. Chastain, Guadalajara, Mexico.

The work in Guadalajara has suffered several hindrances during the year. The missionary in charge has spent many weeks out of the city on his ranch trips, and he lost two months, March and November, from sickness; four months were spent in superintending extensive repairs on our mission buildings, little or no time being left for visitation; all of which had an unfavorable effect on our congregations. We have recently held a series of meetings, which resulted in a spiritual uplift to the church and congregation. We have one hundred names on our Sunday school roll, with a regular attendance of from seventy to eighty. During the dry winter months, besides our usual meetings in the central chapel, we hold meetings two nights each week in other parts of the city.

Our Young People's Union, under the direction of Bro. Victor Godinez, meets every Sunday afternoon, and has made gratifying advancement in Bible study during the year. Mrs. Chastain's mid-week Bible class for women has over thirty names enrolled, and her Sunday school class of children has twenty-five; both are growing in numbers and interest. The crying need of our cause in Guadalajara is for a competent single lady to establish a day school and work among the women and children of the congregation. We have had six baptisms recently, and others are expected to follow. The Sunday school and congregations at preaching are larger than ever before, the members

seem entirely united and are at work for self-development and the salvation of souls.

Out-stations.—For twelve months one of our members has made weekly visits to San Pedro, a large town four miles out and reached by street car line. A congregation has been established, one person received for baptism and others are contemplating the same step. We think of organizing a Sunday school and church there this year.

Though nearly all of the congregation have moved away from Tequila, others are coming in to take their places; we continue our visits and the outlook is decidedly hopeful.

We have found a "gold mine" at Panindicuaro, an Indian town thirty miles from the railroad. According to previous arrangement, the missionary was met at the station by a deputation from the little congregation—two Indians, each with a pistol suspended from a belt beaded with cartridges. After a horseback ride of eight hours over some of the richest and most picturesque country I ever put my eye on, we reach the town and waiting congregation, which they said had not been visited by a preacher in fifteen years. On the first night every seat was taken, forty-two persons indoors, and perhaps as many more crowding around the two doors on the outside. I continued with them three days, preaching to congregations twice a day and to individuals and groups of persons from morning till night, and in all my life I don't think I ever related the old, old story to a more attentive, eager, hungry people. Though they have been all these years without ministerial guidance, they have abandoned Romanism in disgust. Bibles and newspapers fell into their hands, and with these they have been feeling their way along. I learned that since last September they had been running their Sunday school, and have \$32 toward a fund they are slowly collecting with which to build them a chapel. I was charmed with the outlook, and hope to have baptisms and organize a church there at no distant day.

Bro. Victor Godinez, who has lived and labored in Guadalajara for seven years, is soon to move to Zamora, a beautiful city of 15,000 inhabitants, and has never been worked by any evangelical denomination. It is surrounded by a rich agricultural country, and has many towns and villages easily accessible from Zamora.

Sunday School Literature.—The supply of literature for all the Baptist Sunday schools in North America using the Spanish language goes out from Guadalajara. The circulation of "El Expositor Biblico" has increased forty per cent. since the present administration took charge, January 1, 1904. "Nuestros Ninos," used by the primary classes, is considered even more important than the other. In preparing the lessons, the editor has been assisted by our best writers, native and foreign. We consider our Spanish Sunday schools worthy of the best literature we can produce, and while missionaries are the busiest men on earth, no brother will be expected to write for our papers who will not take the time to give to the matter his very best thought, at the same time making use of the best helps. For us to unfold the Word of God every Sunday to two or three thousand men, women and children, involves no small responsibility. No pains, labor or expense will be spared to make

each issue of our papers better than the preceding; we are determined to improve.

Report of the Toluca Field, by R. P. Mahon.

The Churches.—The condition of the churches on this field has improved during the past year, and there has been a decided advance along some lines. Especially is this true in the increased liberality of the church members in their gifts toward the support of the work at home and their gifts, through the Board at Richmond, to foreign missions.

During the past year the church in Toluca lost her pastor by death, and since then we have not been able to secure another native pastor and the missionary in charge has acted as supply, assisted by some of the young men who are ministerial students in the school here.

Bro. Flores, who is in charge of the work in Taxco and the surrounding country, has done and is doing a substantial work, and writes that he expects to be able during this year to open some new preaching stations on his field. All this work is exceedingly difficult in South Mexico, and it demands great patience and a deal of sanctified common sense to know just what to do, and on this field we have chosen to go slow rather than attempt to open up a lot of work simply to have long reports to make. There is no great awakening manifest in this part of the country, but we believe that the reaping time will come in due time, and we wait patiently for the harvest.

The Schools—Instituto Central.—This is the third year of this school for boys, and those of us who were present at its opening three years ago feel profoundly thankful for the measure of success that has crowned our labors, in spite of the many great difficulties that have come in the way. At present there are enrolled in this school twenty-two—several of whom are paying a part or all of their tuition and board. We have the dormitories neatly and comfortably furnished, and in the class rooms we have all the maps, charts and furniture that we need at present. This school occupies a rented building at present, but the Board has granted us the funds with which to buy a good property, and next year it will occupy its own building, and we trust will soon become a mighty factor in all our work in the south.

Instituto Anglo-Mexicano.—This is the fourth year of this school for girls, and at present there are enrolled in the boarding department twenty-eight, and in the day school there are fifty-eight—eighty-six in all. We are collecting this year tuition from a number in both departments. This school occupies its own building, is centrally located, and everything is neatly arranged for the comfort of the pupils, and the building, though small, is well adapted to our work.

In connection with this school we are preparing to open a Training Department, in which a special course of Bible study will be given and the girls taught to do practical Christian work, visiting from house to house distributing literature, visiting the sick and caring for the sick, and this work will be carried on by Miss Rose Schantz, who has come to us for that special purpose, and who expects to be able to formally open this department at the beginning of next session. This is a de-

cided advance in female education in mission schools in Mexico, and we expect to see great results from this kind of work.

New Missionaries.—Since our last report Bro. D. H. LeSueur has been transferred to the Morelia field, made vacant by the removal of Bro. Hatchell to Hermosillo. But the vacancy has been filled here by the coming in December of Bro. J. E. Davis and wife. Not only is Bro. Davis a well equipped man as a preacher, but he has also established here a printing plant, and we all hail with rejoicing this new enterprise. He will get out *El Expositor Biblico*, our Sunday school quarterly, print tracts, Gospels, etc. Bro. and Sister Davis are both rendering efficient help in the schools and in other ways.

A Final Word.—The year has not been without its difficulties, mistakes and sorrows, nor have we yet left all these things behind, but the Lord has preserved us and blessed us, and we humbly thank Him for His goodness and move forward.

Annual Report of Leon Field, by R. W. Hooker, M. D.

The first six months' work of the year 1904 was done by my only native helper, Manuel Ramirez, as well as the whole of 1903, for I was in the States finishing my medical studies. I wish to say in this connection that his conduct during my long absence was very satisfactory. It was a severe trial of his faith and ability to do missionary work, since he is a young man, having come from a shoe shop without any education to speak of, with many difficulties in his way, to say nothing of the fanatical prejudices of the whole city against him. But with all these difficulties, alone, he braved the storms of ridicule and wrath and forged straight ahead with unswerving fidelity to the work, and the Lord blessed his labors, while he won for himself the entire confidence of his brethren. He has grown wonderfully in power as a preacher, and in good judgment as to the general management of mission work. He is destined to be felt in the future religious life of Mexico.

Leon.—This church now has a membership of 17, but as is the case with most of our churches in Mexico, the members are transient and hence a good many of these are now in other parts. We are thankful to report that during the year five have been baptized into the church, some of whom give considerable promise. We now occupy a splendid building on one of the principal residence streets of the city, which gives us more prestige than formerly. We hold regular religious services three times a week, besides the daily work done in the medical dispensary. There has been a wonderful improvement in the general feeling toward us throughout the city during the past five years, for there is at least a growing liberality toward our religion. "Things are getting better," as they say up in Texas, for it does seem as if the spirit of that great, big-hearted State has permeated the whole frontier of this republic and has even come down among us. Toward the close of the year we organized our church into working committees, some to visit from house to house, others to distribute tracts, others to read the Bible to friends, relatives and the sick wheresoever an entrance could be made, others to go and review the Sunday school lesson after service to the members who could not come, and thus in

all ways possible to reach people religiously we are endeavoring to do something. We have one promising boy from this church in the college at Toluca.

Silao.—This city of fifteen thousand, twenty miles down the Central railroad, is visited every Monday. Here we have a little church of some ten or eleven members; several people interested, but no baptisms this year. From this place we have secured one of the girls who was educated in the Congregational school at Guadalajara, but is a Baptist, to teach our day school in Leon next year.

Irapuato.—This place of more than twenty thousand, forty miles down the railroad, is visited every Tuesday. As yet we have no organized church there, but some eight or ten regular attendants on the services. One prominent, well-to-do man, however, became interested in our services and came to Leon to be baptized. He thus forms a nucleus of a very substantial kind for a little church down there in the near future. We hope we may be able to organize this next year.

Lagos.—This little city of some eighteen thousand is forty miles up the railroad to the north. We can hardly claim it as one of our regular mission points as yet, although we have made some four or five visits up there during the last two months. We expect to make the effort at regular work there during the incoming year. It is one of the most intensely fanatical places in the republic, but we have one member from Leon living there, and several friendly disposed people who will help begin the work. Our difficulty will be in securing a house in which to hold services. Just now there is an upheaval between the Church and State parties, one priest arrested and put in jail, and we think it a good time to enter while the tide is high.

Medical Work.—On account of the delay of our equipment we did not get to work along this line till about the first of October, and was afterward disturbed by changing locality, but at close of year I found I had treated about 200 patients. We have dispensary for poor every morning, charging twenty-five cents for consultation and treatments, whether medical or surgical, and it is our rule to hold first a religious service before treatment; thus we come in touch with a large number who would not come to our religious services otherwise. I am also called into some homes professionally, and thus get a chance to win their friendship, which I hope to turn to account later toward their salvation. I intend to establish medical work at Irapuato and Lagos during this next year, and thus try to wedge a better entrance into these cities for our religious work.

School Work.—During the month of December Mrs. Hooker and Felipa Perez, the girl above referred to, canvassed the neighborhood in the interest of establishing a day school and secured the promise of some twenty children outside of the one or two in our congregation. In this way we are touching new homes and not only getting a chance to educate the children of our members but also taking advantage of the same powerful means the Romanists use everywhere, the educational principle, to train them up under our religious influences.

Report of Morelia Field, by D. H. LeSueur.

The present missionary and wife have been on the field for only a comparatively short time; long enough, however, to get

some idea of the field, its needs and prospects. In company with Bro. J. G. Chastain, your missionary has taken a pretty full survey of all our work in the State of Michoacan, and it appears that this whole field offers a most inviting prospect for evangelization. Our greatest need appears to be more laborers, an educated ministry, and Christian young women prepared to be school teachers and general helpers in the work. We are glad to report that there is a prospect of securing these in a few years. Some five of our girls and nine of our boys attended this year our schools in Toluca, and several of these, both boys and girls, give promise of being useful and efficient laborers in the Master's vineyard. However, we sorely need several preparatory schools on this field to prepare the boys and girls for college.

Morelia is an important city, the capital of Michoacan, one of the largest, most populous and prosperous States in the republic. It has a population of some 40,000 inhabitants, and is steadily advancing. However, it is a Catholic stronghold, they having here a fine cathedral and a large number of church buildings, with schools of all grades for boys and girls, which are numerous attended, and some of them splendidly equipped; the Archbishop lives here, and priests are very numerous. To accomplish anything here we need to adopt heroic measures, and spare neither men nor money to carry them out.

This year has been largely one of change. During the year the Board purchased a good, large property, centrally located, which will serve well the purpose of residence and chapel. The missionary then on the field, Bro. W. F. Hatchell, however, had hardly gotten moved before it became necessary, on account of the health of his wife, for him to move to another field. The present missionary and wife moved here in November, and since that time have been trying to get things in better shape for work. We have just put in a baptistery, which we hope to have the pleasure of using frequently. Our congregations are small yet, the work being new to this portion of the city, but are improving gradually. We are now anxiously looking for the arrival of our newly-appointed missionaries, and trust, with the blessings of the Omnipotent, to be able to make a better report next year.

At Tacambaro we have an encouraging work started. Bro. Josue Valdez has been in charge of the work there this year; has met with some persecutions and other difficulties, but has now a very comfortable, centrally located house, large enough for residence and chapel; has gathered a very good, small congregation, who join heartily in the services. We hope much from the work at this place—a city of some 15,000 inhabitants.

Bro. Josue Bautista—"Joshua, the Baptist"—is pastor of the churches at San Juan and Tusantba. The work is encouraging at both places, the regular services being kept up, including Sunday school and prayer-meeting; also from these two churches come several of our most promising boys and girls in our schools at Toluca.

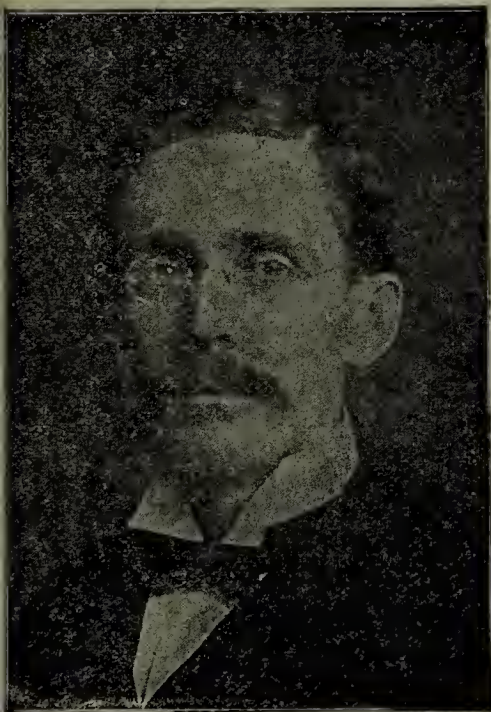
The work at Guayameo continues to grow and prosper, reporting three additions by baptisms this year. This church was begun about ten years ago, about half a dozen new converts being baptized by Bro. McCormick and organized into a church.

One of the number, Vicente Rios, became pastor, and still continues as pastor of the little flock. However, the little band has increased to some 75 or 80 members. This church has its own house of worship, built and paid for by itself, with perhaps a little outside help; keeps up its regular services, and sends out several of its members to conduct services in the neighboring villages; it also furnishes several of our brightest students for the schools at Toluca. It is interesting to know that the pastor and a large majority of the members of this church, as well as of that of San Juan, are of almost pure Indian blood, although they use the Spanish language. These churches show what the Spirit of God can accomplish through the preaching of the Gospel.

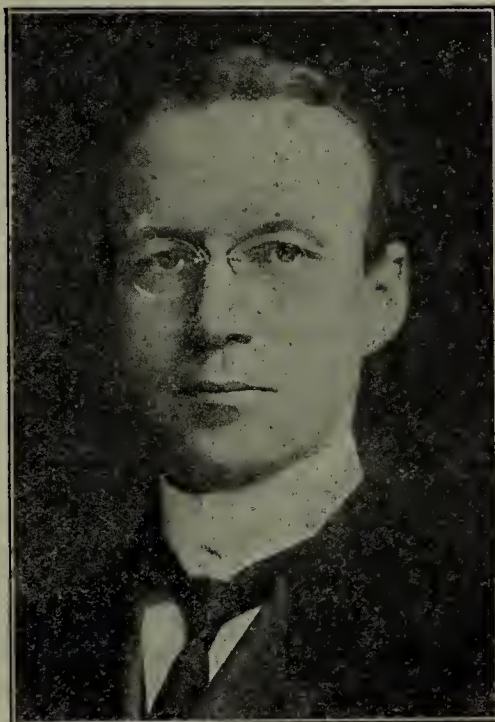
Bro. Chastain and the writer visited several other places and held services; among them Huetamo. This is a place of between 4,000 and 5,000 inhabitants; is called the "capital of the hot country," being a centre of trade and influence in all that country. Here we have no church, and no regular preaching. Hitherto there has been much fanaticism and not much encouragement to work there, though it has been the custom of our missionaries to hold services there when passing through. Also quite a number of Bibles have been sold there, and the "Independent Methodists" have a small work. This year the missionaries received a cordial reception; the authorities were favorable to us, a good, central place was secured in which to hold our services, and numbers, both men and women, came night after night to hear the Word proclaimed, and several appeared to be deeply impressed. Under the blessings of God, we hope to report, ere long, a good, working little church at this place.

This is a brief survey of our work in the State of Michoacan. However, this work covers only a comparatively small portion of the State, and we confidently believe that if we had the necessary workers, with the Lord's blessings, it would only be a few years until we could make equally encouraging reports of many other towns and cities of the State. The people appear to be thinking—the superstitions and illusions of Catholicism failing to satisfy them—their fanaticism appears to be passing away, and they are beginning to listen to the preaching of the Gospel—apparently largely through curiosity, it must be confessed; but still we can but believe that, mixed up with their curiosity, there is a latent desire to know the truth; and as God promises that "His Word shall not return unto Him void, but shall prosper in the thing whereto He sent it," we can but believe that with the proper preaching and teaching, under the leadings of the Holy Spirit, many of these curious ones will be led to accept the truth as it is in Jesus. Surely we may truly say: "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into the harvest."

ITALY.



REV. D. G. WHITTINGHILL.



REV. EVERETTE GILL.

MISSIONARIES AND LOCATION.

Rome.—Geo. B. Taylor, D. G. Whittinghill, Everette Gill, Mrs. Gill.

Report of Italian Mission, by D. G. Whittinghill.

In this, my first annual report of the Italian Mission, I wish to acknowledge my great debt of gratitude to Dr. Geo. B. Taylor for his wise counsel and timely help through many difficulties, and especially for his uniform kindness to me since I assumed the duties so faithfully performed by him for more than thirty years. No man ever handed down his office to another with more grace or treated him with more delicate consideration. May God continue to give him strength for his daily duties as teacher and writer, and, above all, may his "Beulah days," as he expressed it, be filled with that peaceful repose and joy which he so richly deserves.

1. Churches.—As churches are one of God's appointed means for developing Christian character and saving souls, it will be proper to give our attention first to them, in order, according to the various natural divisions of the field. During the year we have added two to our number. There are now twenty-nine in various parts of the kingdom of Italy, besides little groups of believers in France, Austria and North Africa.

Northern Italy.—Churches, 10; membership, 233; baptisms, 34.

Genoa.—For several years this church was on the decline, owing to the unpopularity of the pastor, who was rendered almost unfit for service by domestic troubles and the death of his wife. In former years he was useful and a very good preacher. In September, after having served our mission for more than twenty years, he resigned and went to Argentina to live with his sons. Sig. Ambrosini, of Sanremo, was transferred to Genoa, where he is doing a good work. Several old members have been reclaimed and three have been baptized of late. Peace has been restored and the outlook is good for the future.

Sanpierdarena, a church in the suburbs of Genoa, gives promise of improvement. It is in a stronghold of socialism, and a pastor needs much wisdom to convert Socialists from atheism to Christianity.

Sanremo.—The pastor at Portomaurizio has also taken charge of this field since Sig. Ambrosini's transfer to Genoa. The brethren have given us trouble in Sanremo, but recently they seem inclined to help us. Several attend our services regularly. A new and better hall here will add to the efficiency of Sig. Tortonese. Already signs of improvement are visible. Pietrabruna is a little mountain town of one thousand inhabitants, where our evangelist goes weekly to preach the Gospel. A number have asked for baptism, though the opposition of the Catholics and Darbyites ("Brethren") will doubtless diminish the number, for persecution generally cools the ardor of some of the weaker ones.

Novara.—This is one of our newer churches. Sig. Malan, one of the older evangelists, has faithfully labored here for three years, and has recently baptized six converts, who are an honor to our cause, as they enjoy the esteem of the citizens. Among the members are a shoe merchant, a railway officer and an officer in the army. A faithful colporter of the British and Foreign Bible Society gives us valuable service. Our work is greatly hindered for lack of a larger and better located hall. It is to be feared that the American brethren do not realize how difficult it is to procure decent halls for preaching services.

Venice.—Sig. Bellondi baptized four here in September, one of whom is a University graduate and government officer, and has already taken an active part in the services. The pastor has labored for sixteen years for his conversion—a fine example of perseverance. Venice is a discouraging field, but it seems to give promise of better times. The pastor is talented and a splendid preacher, but his physical strength is not all that could be desired.

Consandolo.—More than two years ago Dr. Taylor sent Sig. Luginbuhl from Trieste, Austria, to this little town near Ferrara, where he has faithfully worked among a peasant class ever since. In November the pastor baptized seven converts, and would have baptized others, but they could not get permission to leave their work. There are about fifteen others who have asked for baptism, and we trust that God will enable them to overcome the opposition of their Catholic employers. The Sunday school here numbers forty, and the greatest interest is

shown. At night the pastor instructs some young men in reading, writing, arithmetic and geography, and by so doing he hopes to induce them to hear the Gospel. The people are exceedingly poor. Some heads of families receive as little as thirty or forty cents per day. Much of the time these people live on "polenta," a mush made of coarse yellow meal, and beans. Meat is a luxury unheard of by many. The poorer members buy copies of the New Testament and pay for them on the instalment plan—one cent at each payment—until the whole sum, five cents, is paid! Such poverty must be seen to be fully appreciated.

Carpi.—Atheistic socialism, a revolt from Popism, has not only destroyed faith in the Catholic Church here, but religious faith altogether, it seems. The people have given themselves up to all sorts of sins, and are grossly immoral. Our pastor is a good man, but lacks enterprise, and is greatly discouraged. He will be sent elsewhere soon. The church is at a low ebb now, but we hope for better times.

Milan.—Sig. Scalera, who was sent here from Sanpierrez almost two years ago, continues to do well. He has baptized six and improved the church in other ways. A "converted" priest was among the number baptized. Later developments prove that he needs converting again. As a rule, ex-priests are a "hard class" to deal with. Only God knows when one is truly converted, though I do not say that there are not some good men among them.

Florence.—This is, numerically, one of our strongest churches, having fifty-three members. Since the coming of Sig. Arbanash from Sardinia to serve as pastor the work has not gone so well. Though a good preacher, he lacks prudence, and has offended some of the members, who have become indifferent to the work of the church. During the year there was only one baptism. Let us hope matters will improve. As yet it is too early to judge of his fitness for this field. The church is composed of good material, and will doubtless improve, notwithstanding its difficulties.

Pordenone.—Sig. Angeleri, a former student in our Theological School, and a man full of energy and zeal, is succeeding well here. The church is only eighteen months old, and has twenty-two members, seven of whom were added recently. An independent church, whose pastor is a converted Jew, in the same town, impedes somewhat the progress of our church, but no serious damage has been done thus far.

Central Italy.—Churches, 1; membership, 43; baptisms, 4.

Rome.—This is not our strongest church, numerically, but certainly no other one is composed of better material. The pastor, Sig. L. M. Galassi, was transferred from Florence to this place by Dr. Taylor, and it has proved to be a very wise step. Sig. Galassi is indeed a born preacher, evangelical, magnetic and zealous. His sermons are always full of the Gospel and seem peculiarly fitted to the needs of this difficult city. Living topics are advertised and discussed in such a manner as to attract and hold the outside world while Gospel truth is with tact presented, and our church is beginning to be known as one of the best evangelical churches of the city. As a writer of evan-

gical and controversial tracts, he is especially gifted. His productions are issued by a non-sectarian printing house at Florence, which sells more of his tracts than of any other Protestant writer of Italy. This is quite an honor to us Baptists. It is a blessing to have Sig. Galassi here as pastor and preacher to the young men who are students in our Theological Seminary. During the year there were four baptisms, and the congregations have largely increased.

Ancona.—After three years of seemingly useless toil in this field, we were compelled to abandon it, and the pastor, Sig. Chiera, was transferred to Palermo. The Waldensians and Methodists each labored without success in Ancona and were forced to retire. This city is a hotbed of anarchy, and it is no wonder that the Gospel can make no progress. It is a sad thing to confess that we have made a failure, but such seems to be the case, and we have shaken the dust from our feet and gone elsewhere.

Southern Italy.—Churches, 13; membership, 328; baptisms, 39.

Naples.—The work here, under Sig. Nicholas Papengouth, is improving slowly. The discordant elements which compose this church, it being a union of three others, make harmony and spiritual growth difficult. The pastor is a pious, prudent man, and promises to succeed, although the Neapolitans are a difficult people to deal with.

Boscorcale.—Several years ago Dr. Taylor bought for the mission some property here from the widow of Sig. Martinelli, one of our former evangelists, paying for it a life annuity. At her death, in August, the property legally became ours, but it may be some time before we come into full possession, as the presumptive heirs are contesting our titles. It is valued at about \$1,500, and will be useful as a preaching hall and minister's residence. The spiritual condition of the church is not satisfactory, as the pastor is a prophet in his own country. We hope to remove the pastor elsewhere soon.

Gravina.—Sig. Robert Teubel, who finished his course in our school last year, is pastor of this church. Soon he is to marry one of the members, the daughter of a former prominent deacon, and then the church is to become self-supporting, as the future wife does not wish her husband to receive anything from the mission. This will be our first and only self-supporting church in Italy.

Altamura is a station near Gravina, where Sig. Teubel preaches weekly to encouraging congregations.

Matera.—The work so auspiciously begun here last year by Dr. Taylor, when twenty-seven were baptized by a neighboring pastor, continues most encouragingly. In the summer another company of twenty-five were baptized by Sig. Piccinni, of Miglionico. The work is entirely among peasants, and during the absence of the visiting pastor, Sig. Louis Loporfido, a native of the town instructs the members, as well as those who wish to be baptized. In addition to the regular church work a night school is taught, in which the people learn to read and write. At least seventy-five per cent. are illiterate. A deposit of flour, corn and olive oil (in this locality a necessity) is always kept for the benefit of the members, who buy it here for less than it

can be purchased at the merchants. The leader of this work, Sig. Loporfido, is very much persecuted both by the priests and merchants, because in one sense he injures their "trade." He has recently been unjustly condemned, and must pay a considerable fine and go to jail for nearly a month. There are in this place about fifty candidates for baptism, but they need instruction and further trial to prove their conversion. This is indeed a most promising field, and our poor brethren are serving God under great difficulties. Pray for them.

Bari, Barletta.—In these two cities the work moves forward slowly, partly due, no doubt, to the feebleness of Sig. Volpi, the pastor, who is very old. In former years he did good service, but now it will become necessary to put a younger man there as soon as one can be provided, for the field requires much activity and vigorous preaching. The recent commercial treaty with Austria injured especially that part of Italy, and our little church has lost some of its members, who have been compelled to go elsewhere to make a living.

Calitri.—The work here, under the care of Sig. Creanza, is improving very much. There were four baptisms during the summer. The pastor visits regularly four stations besides looking after the interests of his church.

Avellino and Minturno.—These two churches are served by young men, each of whom is zealous. At the former place a new preaching station and Sunday school have been opened near the railway station, where it is hoped some good will be done. At Minturno, Sig. Berio has been unjustly condemned, it seems, and must pay a fine and go to jail, perhaps. Sometimes our brethren suffer unjustly in Italy for Christ's sake.

Reggio.—Here, in addition to the church work, there is a kindergarten, in which there are sixty children enrolled. These are for the most part street urchins, who are sadly neglected by their parents. The pupils are taught, kept clean and fed at noon at the expense of the school. Religious songs, the model prayer and other portions of the Bible are also learned, which give them some ideas of right and wrong. On Sunday nearly all come to the Bible school and therefore get all the religious instruction they can understand. In the future we hope to gather fruit from this work. Sig. Destafano, who lives here with Sig. Stagnitta is busily engaged going about in the neighboring mountains preaching in the ten out-stations. This place is the ancient Rhegium, where Paul first touched Italy. How sadly these people still need the Gospel which Paul preached!

Sicily.—Churches, 2; membership, 51; baptisms, 9.

Messina.—Sig. Scuderi continues his work here with success. He has gathered about him a number of promising young men, who will be of great service in the future. In one of the principal squares of the city we have employed a newsdealer to sell tracts, Testaments and Bibles for us. It is the only place in the city where such literature can be had. Thus far the sales have been very satisfactory. At Taormina, a beautiful mountain town commanding a fine view of Mt. Etna, we have a hall and have regular preaching services weekly. Already we have gained some friends.

Palermo.—Dissensions and the unpopularity of the former pastor brought this church to a standstill, but the conditions have greatly improved since the coming of Sig. Chiera from Ancona. Seven additions have recently been made to the church, and peace seems to prevail at present.

Noto.—Sig. Fasulo, one of our older evangelists, who went from Palermo, has charge of this new work. Thus far we have no regularly organized work, but there are seven Baptists here, three of whom I baptized in Tunis, Africa, last April. Ten are awaiting baptism, which will be performed as soon as a suitable place can be found. The pastor has tried for several months to find a hall, but the Catholic proprietors will not rent. We still hope to find some place in which to preach, though it may be necessary to purchase it.

Sardinia.—Churches, 2; membership, 45; baptisms, 8.

Cagliari.—Conditions have greatly improved here under the pastoral care of Sig. Fiori. There have been nine additions, five of whom were by baptisms. At Siligua and Quarto S. Elena we have preaching every week, and at the latter place the hall is often crowded, but there have been no baptisms as yet, although the people listen with attention to the Gospel.

Iglesias.—This city is in the centre of a big silver mining district, and consequently has a very changeable population. Our little church here has lost much by these constant changes. Sig. Pintus has charge of our work, and during the year baptized three and built up the Sunday school. He does much preaching in the villages near Iglesias. He could almost be called a "circuit rider."

Maconeer.—Sig. Cossu, who was pastor in this place for several years, died early in the year, so we were compelled to close, at least temporarily, the station for lack of a worker. The church is weak, and as the members have gone elsewhere in search of work, there is little need of a pastor at present.

Africa.—Churches, 1; membership, 21; baptisms, 27.

Tunis.—Last April it was my pleasure to visit this field and baptize twenty-one converts, who had been led to the truth by Sig. Barbera, a colporter of the British and Foreign Bible Society. He was put in charge of the work, and continues to give proof of his earnestness and capacity. Later in the year six others were baptized, and about a score are awaiting the ordinance of baptism now. In addition to these there are several others here who were baptized by Sig. Fiori under Dr. Taylor's administration, but the work could not be continued then for lack of men and means. In Tunis there are eighty thousand Italians, and, as they enjoy much more liberty than if they were in Italy, the prospect of success among them is far greater. In fact, the work here is full of promise, and will be prosecuted with vigor. There are two out-stations near Tunis, where the Gospel is preached by Sig. Barbera. This city stands near the site of ancient Carthage.

2. Educational Work.—The past year has been much more promising for our Theological School, as we are in every way better prepared for the work than in former years. A rented

building gives us more suitable rooms for our lessons; and our library has increased somewhat, though it is sadly lacking yet.

Students.—We began with eight students, one of whom belongs to the English Baptists. A number of “converted” priests applied for admission, as usual, but they were refused. Our experience with them has been very unsatisfactory. Three of our students are University graduates. We hope this will mean much for our work, as they will be enabled to reach the better educated classes, which some of our older evangelists have not been able to do.

Faculty.—The teachers are as follows: Dr. Geo. B. Taylor, Rev. Henry Paschetto, Rev. N. H. Shaw and D. G. Whittinghill. Rev. Mr. Shaw is the able and learned director of the English Baptist mission in Rome and the province. He very ably teaches Homiletics. Since laying aside the administration Dr. Taylor has entered with vigor into the work of teaching, and is doing valiant service in Systematic Theology. Mr. Ludovico Paschetto teaches Greek to beginners.

Studies.—The following branches are taught: Systematic Theology, Homiletics, Old Testament History, Biblical Introduction, Hebrew, Greek, New Testament History and Interpretation, Church History, Greek Exegesis and the English Language. Considering the difficulties under which we have labored, our work has gone forward very well.

“*Il Testimonio*” is the name of our monthly paper, published by the Baptist Union. While it serves us very well, its influence could be wonderfully increased if it could be published oftener. This past year we paid most of the debt which it had made in previous years. The paper does not cost the Board one cent. What it lacks towards its annual expenses is made up by contributions from the American and English Baptist missionaries. Prof. Paschetto, one of our teachers in the Theological School, is manager and editor-in-chief of our journal, and a member of the Rome church is an associate editor.

Under “educational work” may be mentioned the school at Reggio for children who are taught the elementary branches of a popular education, besides a knowledge of the Bible. At Matera, Minturno, Consandolo, Miglionico, Milan and Carpi teaching is done gratis for the benefit of all who may come. Thus some are drawn to our halls who would not otherwise frequent them.

3. Colportage.—As the British and Foreign Bible Society and the Scotch Bible Society do an extensive work, it is not necessary that we attempt the same thing, especially on a large scale. At present we have colporters at Mondori, Reggio and Ferrara, who sell and distribute many portions of the Scriptures and evangelical and controversial tracts. During the year about \$125 worth of tracts have been sent to the various pastors, who have made use of them in the services and elsewhere.

4. Observations.—(1) The percentage of increase over last year in the various departments was as follows: Membership, 20 per cent.; baptisms, 73 per cent.; Sunday school attendance, 17 per cent.; number of out-stations, 22 per cent. The contributions made no increase—the amount contributed for all purposes being

\$1,258.51, which is only seven dollars more than last year. This figure represents a decrease, as the membership has increased much faster than the contributions.

(2) During the year every church was visited once and some of them twice, so that an opportunity was given me to become better acquainted with the various fields.

(3) One of our needs is money with which to build a house to serve as a church, school building, pastor's home, and, if need be, a printing house. A general headquarters for our mission would be a great boon, and we trust that the Lord may be pleased to give it to us.

Report of Dr. G. B. Taylor.

I greatly enjoy teaching my class, as it is a truly congenial task, and, while free from the anxieties of administering the interests of the mission and quite out of the public eye, is yet of great importance as helping to form the future Baptist ministry of this land, and also of other countries. Nor does the communication of theological truth limit my opportunity, since every day some useful influence may be exerted upon the minds and hearts of these young men. It is by far the best class so far in the history of the school, three of the students having completed a university course, one having studied for three years at Geneva, and all seven having suffered and labored for Christ.

As opportunity has offered, I have not failed to use tongue and pen for the cause of the Master, speaking by request to our churches in Florence, Naples and Rome, and preaching in my own home in the summer at Vallambrosa, and writing numerous articles for *Il Testimonio* here, and for our Southern Baptist newspapers; the bulk of my reading, for which I have had a leisure not possible before, has been about Italy.

While ever ready in an unobtrusive way to respond to any appeal of my successor either for information or for counsel, it has been my rule not to offer either, confiding in his ability for the work, and having no wish to reproduce, much less stereotype, my own ideas and methods. He really took hold of the work, from the first, with a courage, energy and prudence truly wonderful, and his year's administration convinces me that the mission could not be in wiser or better hands. I knew that he was a man to be absolutely depended on, but did not know whether he would preserve his independence, resisting the efforts of evangelists unduly to influence his decisions. But all doubt on this point has disappeared, as he has shown himself firm and resolute in carrying out his own convictions after once forming them with all the light at his command. Really, administrative or executive ability seems to be his special gift, and you were providentially guided in calling him to take charge of the Italian Mission.

We are praying for Dr. Gill, whom the Board has appointed to Italy, that he may come to us in the fullness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ.

ARGENTINA.



AVENUE IN BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA.

MISSIONARIES AND LOCATION.

Buenos Aires.—S. M. Sowell, K. W. Cawthon, Mrs. Cawthon, F. J. Fowler, Mrs. Fowler.

Rosario.—J. L. Hart, Mrs. Hart, Thomas Spight, Mrs. Spight.

Report for the Mission, by K. W. Cawthon.

In the providence of God it is our privilege to send to the Board this our first annual report of the Argentine mission of the Southern Baptist Convention. We believe that the Board in deciding to open this field was led by the Holy Spirit. After living on the field for some months, it is the unanimous opinion of our missionaries that this is indeed a great field, "white unto the harvest," and we offer to Almighty God hearts filled with thanksgiving and praise for the provisions of His love, and we desire to express to the Board our deeply felt appreciation of the kindness and consideration they have shown us.

Rev. S. M. Sowell arrived in Buenos Aires, November 30, 1903, and has been hard at work on the language and planning for the opening of the work. Rev. J. L. Hart and Mrs. Hart, Rev. K. W. Cawthon and Mrs. Cawthon, Rev. F. J. Fowler and Mrs. Fowler arrived in Buenos Aires after Bro. Sowell, and have also been busily engaged in learning the language and planning for the present and future of the work.

We have all been treated with consideration by the denominations already engaged in the Master's work here. We appreciated an invitation from the pastor of the Scotch Presbyterian church to preach in their several churches during one month. This invitation was accepted and the service performed. We have also done other work in English in connection with the Methodist church, the Y. M. C. A., and the Sailor's Home.

We may say that our Spanish work proper began on the evening of the 20th of November, 1904, just eleven months and a few days after Bro. Sowell's arrival on the field. In this service Bro. Sowell preached acceptably and the others assisted in different ways. More than forty persons were present. Attendance and interest in all services from the beginning have been encouraging, and we have had to increase the seating capacity of the hall. We have also had two applications for baptism. We have organized a Sunday school, which has proved successful.

The situation of the hall in which we are holding services cannot be excelled. It is situated on Plaza Constitucion, one of the great centres of the city. Many have remarked upon the excellence of the situation. We are thankful that we were led to this place. During the year \$362.50 in Argentina money has been contributed by our missionaries for the beginning and support of the work. This money we feel has been used to excellent advantage, and will bring large returns.

Basing our thoughts on the experience of the year, we again thank Almighty God for the promise of His love, the Board for its consideration and appropriations, and the great denomination which made these things possible, and we face the future with the hope and prayer that God, through Jesus, will use us all largely in His service.

PAGAN FIELDS.

JAPAN.



JAPANESE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

MISSIONARIES AND LOCATION.

Fukuoka.—J. W. McCollum, Mrs. McCollum, C. T. Willingham, Mrs. Willingham, J. F. Ray, Mrs. Ray.

Nagasaki.—E. N. Walne, Mrs. Walne.

Kokura.—N. Maynard, Mrs. Maynard.

Kumamoto.—W. H. Clarke, Mrs. Clarke.

Kagoshima.—G. F. Hambleton, Mrs. Hambleton.

Report by G. F. Hambleton.

After a long term of arduous and successful work, Dr. McCollum and family left for a rest in the home land. We have been pleased to know that he is regaining his wonted strength.

We are grateful to the Board for sending us Bro. and Sister Ray, and they are taking hold of Japanese with earnestness and good success.

The Board was most generous and helpful to the work in granting chapels for Moji and Kumamoto. The need for them had become apparent, and they greatly increase the chances for reaching men in these growing cities.

Our book depository in Nagasaki is a convenience to the worker and a money saver to the Board in the outlay for tracts. As a result of it some small circulating libraries have been begun in the churches.

Forty-two persons have been baptized during the year, and some of them add much strength to the church. All the men of the mission, and one of the ladies, have taken examinations on the language. Dr. McCollum, who has been here longest, setting us a good example by taking them also. The course prescribed has been very useful and stimulating to us all.

All property owned by the Board has been transferred to a legal association, consisting of the missionaries. The Board now owns three chapels and three residences, with the lots attached, besides two other chapels in process of building.

The outbreak of war has not greatly affected our work except by drawing off some men for the front. The sympathy and real enthusiasm of America for Japan in the struggle has helped to awaken more confidence in the missionaries and their work.

There is great need of a chapel for Sasebo as soon as the Board will grant the funds. In the near future Kagoshima, too, should have a chapel in order to do effective work. All the other organized churches are now supplied.

Fukuoka.—On the resignation of Bro. McCollum as pastor before leaving on furlough, Bro. Willingham was elected to the care of the church in Fukuoka. He began the year by baptizing a man on New Year's day. The work prospered, and five persons were baptized during the year. Mrs. Willingham and her helper conducted a Sunday school and a weekly meeting for women. These have been blessed, and in the woman's meeting there are indications of interest in the teaching of the truth.

Regular preaching has been carried on at two out-stations, and this has required a great deal of work in addition to the demands of the Fukuoka church. Mrs. Willingham's serious illness required their absence from the field for hospital treatment during part of the year. While the evangelist has felt the need of their counsel and presence, Bro. Willingham rejoices that the work has gone on and received the blessing of the Holy Spirit. Sato San has been very diligent, and has been preaching four times a week and largely directing the work. May the good hand of God be upon our brother and sister in this time of their affliction, and may His presence be their joy and rejoicing. It has been a trial to the mission to be separated from them for a season. They have borne all most patiently, and have set us a noble example.

Kagoshima.—The evangelist at Kagoshima has worked with great devotion throughout the year. Though the work is in its beginnings, the number attending services has been cheering. Our ranks have been somewhat broken by the removal of members to other places, but we rejoice that some of them hold fast to the truth in their new homes. We have kept in touch with most of the absent members, and they have shown their affection for the church. Others, too, are gradually coming in to fill up

the ranks. During the year eight persons were baptized, and others are asking for baptism. A recent series of meetings has been most helpful because of direct Gospel preaching to the goodly numbers attending.

Much that is done here at present must be only seed sowing. Some of those who ask for baptism are snatched away and back into the old current, or even forbidden to be baptized.

The existing war has given our Christians a new field of effort, and they have worked right faithfully in visiting the families of the men at the front, and in bringing them some substantial comfort. The evangelist has also visited the garrison and distributed tracts and Scriptures.

Mrs. Hambleton has carried on a Sunday school in our home, and results have been pleasing in better singing and a larger number committing to memory the Lord's Prayer and other Scriptures. Other good influences, too, have gone out from this school of 80 children. Another school was opened for a part of the year at the preaching place.

Personally, I have devoted more time to language study than ever, and have tried to use what I had gained in conversation with men about the Bible and about Christianity.

The kindness of the people, our joy in the work, and the blessing of God have increased many fold. We have found a rich reward in the heart experiences and aggressive work of some of our Christians. A spirit of inquiry and frequent requests for the Scriptures by the people have shown that God is already moving among them.

Report of E. N. Walne.

Prospects for a great ingathering were never so bright as when our Japan mission sent in its last annual report. Never before in the history of our work had congregations been so large and inquirers so numerous.

On my own field, since the declaration of war, there has been a marked decrease in the average attendance upon services. At Sasebo, with the exception of a few women, the congregation disappeared. Both of the deacons of this church and nearly all the male members are connected with the navy. Owing to an advance in rents, we were compelled to give up the chapel which had been the centre of our work for eight years. A small house was secured in a neighborhood where rents were cheaper, and the little remnant of the church went bravely to work to build up a new congregation. Because of the importance of this post as the chief naval base, military regulations have been so strictly enforced that I have not been able to visit the church, but I have kept in touch with the pastor, who has labored most faithfully under very trying circumstances. In addition to keeping up the regular services, he has preached to the wounded in the hospitals, and he has been a frequent and welcome visitor to the homes of the men who are at the front. Our brethren among the naval men have written repeatedly to testify to the comfort and support which they derived from their faith, and to ask for the prayers of the church in their behalf. All of them have regularly sent back a part of their pay for the support of the church. One of the deacons sent as a Christmas offering two-

thirds of a gift of money which he had received from the Emperor as a reward for meritorious services.

The mission is asking for an appropriation to build a chapel at Sasebo. We hope that the funds needed for this purpose will be granted in time for us to arrange to take advantage of the exceptional opportunities for enlarging the work which are likely to come with the close of the war.

As there are no military hospitals at Nagasaki, we have had no opportunity to work among the soldiers, but we have gained admittance to the homes of many of the men at the front. Early in the year representatives from all of the local churches were invited to form an association for systematic visitation and relief. Our church was made the legal headquarters for this association, and throughout the year our pastor has acted as chairman of the visiting committee. On an average, about sixty yen per month has been collected and dispensed by this committee for the relief of the destitute families of soldiers. For some months past the wife of the pastor has been serving as a Red Cross nurse on board one of the army hospital ships.

Notwithstanding the advance in the cost of living, which followed the outbreak of war, the contributions of the churches connected with the Nagasaki station have increased nearly 200 per cent. The average per capita for the year was about \$2.50, as against \$1.00 for the year before.

The gross sales of the Book and Bible Depository, referred to in another part of this report, have amounted to about one thousand yen. This was just the amount donated to the mission by the Sunday School Board to be used as a capital for a book shop. The results of the venture have been so satisfactory that we hope to open shops at several of the other stations in the course of another year.

Report for 1904, by N. Maynard.

The first thought which comes to us in attempting to make out our report for the year is one of gratitude for the kind providence which has kept us in health and permitted no deaths to occur among our members at the four stations. But for the severe illness of Mrs. Maynard in the spring we should have had an almost perfect year in this respect. The meetings have been conducted regularly at all of the stations without interruptions throughout the year.

Wakamatsu.—Kawakatsu San has visited Wakamatsu each week to preach and to visit. On his return from the Seminary for vacation Toyama San was given charge of the work at Wakamatsu, where he succeeded in arousing much interest generally by his enthusiasm. Six were baptized as the result of his work; house to house prayer-meetings were established, and when he returned to the Seminary in September he had succeeded in getting two of the Christians to pledge themselves to carry on Sunday services for a year. He also opened work at Yawata, a town of about five hundred inhabitants, across the bay from Wakamatsu, where we now have a permanent work.

Kokura.—A lot was purchased and a chapel, with seating capacity of about one hundred and twenty-five persons, erected last spring. The chapel was dedicated in June, and a series of meet-

ings held in it, which put our little band in excellent spirits, the results of which are visible yet. In September we organized a Sunday school in the church, and removed all of the larger scholars from the school in our home to the church. This school is conducted by the Japanese, with my assistance, and is making good progress, with an average attendance of about 30 to 35 pupils. It was a happy day for us when our little church, in its own house, assumed the functions of a regularly organized body and entered upon its work of evangelizing the city; but it was a sad time for myself and wife when we realized that the blessed experiences of the past ten years with the meetings in our house were to continue no more forever.

Five have been baptized and several most hopeful enquirers will doubtless be added to us before long. One young lady, the daughter of the commander of the garrison at Kokura, was very anxious to be baptized, but was forbidden by her parents, who married her off instead. The wife of the editor of the *Moji Shimpō*, a most excellent woman, has been anxious for baptism for nearly a year, but her relatives have so far restrained her, but still we hope she will come soon.

The meetings are well attended, especially the Sunday evening preaching service and the Friday evening Bible class.

My wife's work has kept up well notwithstanding poor health has interfered with her visiting the women in their homes. There are fifteen women who attend her Bible class for women; about twenty girls from fifteen to twenty years old attend her English and Bible classes, and about fifty children attend the Sunday school, which she still conducts in our home for the children of the neighborhood. We have devoted some time to visiting the sick and wounded in the military hospitals here as the press of work would permit. It is a splendid opportunity for seed sowing, and the work is most inviting, since the soldiers listen attentively and the authorities welcome all the work we can put in in that way. The other missionaries also are diligently cultivating that field, and several tens of thousands of Scripture portions and of tracts and books have been given to the soldiers; already quite a number of conversions have taken place among them.

Moji.—Moji is one of the places most affected by the war of any in the empire, since a large majority of the men and munitions of war are transported from that port. The embarking of troops for the front and the arrival of the sick and wounded leaves no day without its excitement. This has had some depressing effect on our work, but still we have made substantial gain. The evangelist is very earnest and energetic, and has perhaps the best attended meetings of any on our field. The church is united and all are at work. Six have been added by baptism, and several others are diligently studying the Bible with him.

After about eight months of tedious negotiations we have at last succeeded in purchasing a lot for a chapel, which we will get possession of on December 20th. The lot cost a few dollars more than twelve hundred, gold, and will serve for a small chapel and house for the pastor. It requires a great deal of patience, prudence and perseverance to negotiate a purchase of land for religious purposes in Japan, especially where funds are

limited; and it is an onerous task even when performed in order to establish a church.

Our losses during the year have been slight, only four of our male members being taken for military services and two of their wives being compelled to remove to other parts in order to be with relatives.

We are in good spirits, and thank God for a blessed year. We ask our friends to rejoice with us in our blessings and to pray for more abundant blessings for the ensuing year.

Annual Report, by W. H. Clarke, of Kumamoto.

This year has been the best of the six which we have been permitted to spend in God's service in Japan. Our time has been necessarily devoted to preparation and foundation work, which must come first. Our work has been chiefly limited to the city of Kumamoto, and yet there are vast sections almost untouched.

The gradual growth and influence of our little bands of Christians has been a source of encouragement, and the seven new converts who have united through baptism have given evidence of God's blessing upon the work. There are several enquirers, who are almost ready to make a public profession of faith. New enquirers remain after the services, come to our home for private instruction, and give evidence of a desire for that peace which they do not yet possess. There is harmony and unity among the members, which adds strength to the work.

Through public preaching and Bible class study at our home the seed is being sown. The Sunday school has increased in interest and attendance until we can hardly accommodate the children who come to learn of Christ. The former prejudice and distrust on the part of ignorant parents has been changed into confidence, and they now readily send their children. The Sunday school is a most hopeful work, and through it we are reaching many homes. The work among young girls has been rewarded by three bright conversions, and through the influence of the woman's society two have found Christ and followed Him in baptism. They have also been active in benevolent work for the distressed families of killed and wounded soldiers since the war commenced.

The war has in no way retarded the progress of our work, but our sympathy for those in distress seems to draw us closer to the people. The way is opening for us to visit the sick and wounded in the military hospitals here, and when the present conflict is ended we are praying for a large ingathering into the kingdom of God. Our native evangelists have been very faithful during the year, and are rejoicing in the enlargement of the work. We need many more such men, and all the help that you can send us from home during the coming year.

We are very grateful to you for the new missionaries who recently arrived and are now with us in our home. We trust God will abundantly bless them and make them a blessing to the work.

We would also express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to our Board and friends of the Stone Mountain Association of Georgia for their liberal help in providing a chapel for our work in Kumamoto. It has been a long-felt need; we accept it as a

direct answer to prayer, and shall use it in striving to win souls for the glory of God and the upbuilding of His kingdom in Japan. May God, who ruleth all things, cause war to cease and make known among all men peace and salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AFRICA.



THEOLOGICAL TRAINING SCHOOL BUILDING, OGBOMOSHAW.

MISSIONARIES AND LOCATION.

Abbeokuta.—W. T. Lumbley and Mrs. Lumbley, J. B. Wakem, Mrs. Wakem.

Awyaw.—S. G. Pinnock, Mrs. Pinnock.

Saki.—L. M. Duval, Mrs. Duval.

Ogbomoshaw.—C. E. Smith, Mrs. Smith, J. S. Compere, Mrs. Compere.

Report of W. T. Lumbley.

It seems plain that the Lord's hand is opening up the work on our field at large as never before. This is seen, first, from the numbers of baptisms. Ogbomoshaw is the only main station that reports no baptisms; but two of her out-stations have organized churches and report twenty-one baptisms. Awyaw reports nineteen, and Saki six, notwithstanding the absence of the missionary from that station most of the year. Here at Abbeokuta we have had an increase of seventeen by baptism, and three at Lalate. So, in summing up we have had, in the Abbeokuta district, twenty baptisms, in the other interior stations forty-six, making a total of sixty-six, besides a large number in the Lagos and Ijebu district.

There is a deepening and widening of interest in our work among the people. Despite all drawbacks and demoralizing tendencies, there seems to be a steady march into the fuller light and knowledge of the truth. There has been an uprising and sloughing off especially among the C. M. S. or Episcopal element here in Abbeokuta and elsewhere in favor of polygamy, and even the organization of a big polygamous church in a few hundred yards of our mission here. But while we have made constant warfare against this iniquity, our work continues to grow.

Our contributions are an expression of interest in the work among our own people. I haven't the figures as to a part of our station's work. But what I have shows favorable and steady improvement. Awyawa reports \$40 contributed. Our three little churches here in Abbeokuta report altogether \$125.73. The little church of eight members at Lalate report \$5.76. This makes \$171.49, leaving out Lagos, Ogbomoshaw and Saki, whose contributions I have not heard from, together with their out-station work.

We started in the beginning of the year with a strong force of missionaries on the field (that is, for our African mission), but the changes during the year have left us only four. The latter part of the year I have been doubly busy, having in charge the Bible Training School, which came to me from Ogbomoshaw on Bro. Duval's leaving us in October. The students are now on vacation, but are to be here again for the opening up on the 23d of this month (January). We have some noble native helpers in our work here, especially pastor John Agboola and his church. But the students in training have also been a vigorous help to the work while here. We formed the nucleus of our third church in Abbeokuta during the year, and erected our third chapel, though we have not been able to complete it yet.

Report of S. G. Pinnock, Ogbomoshaw.

For some years past the Training School has been most prominent in the report of the work at Ogbomoshaw, and while it is a very important branch of our work, and worthy of our support, yet the work of the churches should hold the foremost place of honor. For it is through the churches that the kingdom is to be established.

The First church occupies a position of great honor, owing to the many preachers that it has given the mission. Twelve of our unordained native workers have been sent out by this church, and the three ordained workers have also been closely connected with it. But while this brings honor to the church, it also withdraws from its membership its strongest supporters and weakens its financial ability. The membership at present is exactly 100, and judging from a series of meetings held there recently, the majority of these are keenly alive to their responsibilities, and are doing their best to maintain all the functions of the church. The pastor, in addition to his pastoral duties, also teaches in the day school, and he finds that both offices suffer to some extent owing to this arrangement. There are 34 scholars in the day school, and boys often pass from this school into the Training School, which speaks well for the work done there. I regret that there have been no baptisms in this church this year, although there are several enquirers.

The Second church at Ogbomoshaw is doing good work, contributing liberally to the funds and uniting once a month with the First church in an evangelistic service in the Winn Memorial chapel. Its membership is 46.

At **Ejigbo** the church has added three by baptism during the year, and the evangelist has commenced a system of regular visitation amongst the heathen, in this way bringing the Gospel to many who would otherwise never hear it.

At **Ede**, our newest church, the work is prospering to the great delight of us all. It is not unusual for a number of converts to walk fifty miles to be baptized, as seven did in June last when Bro. Duval gladly baptized them at Ogbomoshaw. Eighteen have been added by baptism during the year. The membership now stands at 55. We hope soon to send an elderly preacher to assist the young evangelist who has gathered so many converts about him.

Bro. Smith usually has the oversight of these churches, and he is sadly missed, both in counsel and in writing out the year's report.

Saki.—Since April last, when Bro. Duval went to take up the work of the Training School in Ogbomoshaw, two native brethren have been in sole charge. So far as I can learn, they are doing their work faithfully, and I hope soon to encourage them by visiting Saki. There were six baptisms in January last, and at that time the membership of the church stood at 23. The work at Saki must suffer owing to the absence of the missionaries, but we have the satisfaction of knowing that a new work has been started, and that when Bro. Duval and his wife return they can enter at once upon their evangelistic work. It is no light task to build a mission house and church building in Africa during one's first term of service. One has to be architect, builder, carpenter and laborer, in turn, and the materials used in the building are of the crudest kind. This task Bro. Duval has accomplished, and in addition to this he has been able to gather together a good company of believers. One young man entered the Training School from Saki this year. It is in Bro. Duval's heart to establish a school for teaching boys trades, and he is well equipped for this kind of work. For this work he needs to start with \$100 a year, which, if granted, would greatly add to the self-supporting element in our churches. Saki will soon become one of our strongest mission centres, and I ask for it your hearty co-operation.

Awyaw.—The new year's offerings for 1904 were devoted to the renovation of the church building, the interior being lime washed with a dark dado and a coat of cement was put upon the weather end outside. From the detailed reports of work done during the year it is estimated that about 500 heathen homes have been visited, and that in this way upwards of 8,000 people have heard the Gospel. We find that almost every case of conversion we see comes as a result of this house to house visitation. Two hundred and forty-one visits have been made to the homes of the Christian people, and as opportunity offered the Scriptures have been read and prayer made during these visits. Nineteen persons have been baptized, bringing up the membership of our church to 62. Four of those baptized were from the Atan mission, where, at the beginning of the year, we

placed an evangelist, and these are the first fruits of the work in that district. Two others were from our village church at Ilora, while most of them were drawn from Mrs. Pinnock's school. There is a steady increase in the attendance at the Sabbath services, and at a recent communion service over fifty were present.

The school, under Mrs. Pinnock's teaching, has prospered, and out of a total of 17 who sat for examination, 11 passed. Seventeen is a small number for a school, but if you knew the difficulty of getting children in this town it would seem great. A new school room is being built, and we hope for greater progress next year. Attached to this building are two rooms, in which to carry on our medical work. We are already planning extension work to commence in January, and our motto for 1905 is "Forward."

CHINA.



CHINESE HOUSE AND PAGODA.

MISSIONARIES AND LOCATION. SOUTHERN CHINA.

Canton.—R. H. Graves, Mrs. Graves, E. Z. Simmons, Mrs. Simmons, G. W. Greene, Mrs. Greene, Miss Lula Whilden, R. E. Chambers, Miss Julia E. Trainham, Miss Carrie Bostick, John Lake.

Yingtak.—Mrs. Pearl H. Williams, C. A. Hayes, M. D., Mrs. Hayes, J. R. Saunders, Mrs. Saunders, B. P. Roach, Mrs. Roach.

Wu Chow.—Thomas McCloy, M. D., Mrs. McCloy, J. G. Meadows, M. D., Mrs. Meadows, Miss Julia Meadows, W. H. Tipton, Mrs. Tipton.

Shiu Hing.—E. T. Snuggs, Mrs. Snuggs, Miss H. F. North.

CENTRAL CHINA.

Shanghai.—E. F. Tatum, Mrs. Tatum, R. T. Bryan, Mrs. Bryan, Miss Willie Kelly, Miss Lottie W. Price, Frank Rawlinson, Mrs. Rawlinson, H. W. Provence, Mrs. Provence, Miss D. L. Cain.

Soochow.—T. C. Britton, Mrs. Britton. C. G. McDaniel, Mrs. McDaniel, T. M. Thomas, Mrs. Thomas.

Chinkiang.—W. E. Crocker, Mrs. Crocker, T. F. McCrea, Mrs. McCrea.

Yang Chow.—L. W. Pierce, Mrs. Pierce, P. S. Evans, M. D., Mrs. Evans, Miss Julia K. Mackenzie, Miss Alice Parker, Miss M. E. Moorman.

NORTH CHINA.

Teng Chow.—J. B. Hartwell, Miss Anna B. Hartwell, C. W. Pruitt, Mrs. Pruitt, Miss Lottie Moon, W. C. Newton, Mrs. Newton.

Hwang-Hien.—Peyton Stephens, Mrs. Stephens, T. W. Ayers, M. D., Mrs. Ayers, Miss E. B. Thompson, Miss Jessie L. Pettigrew, S. E. Stephens, Mrs. Stephens.

Pingtu, Shantung.—W. H. Sears, Miss Mattie Dutton, J. C. Owen, Mrs. Owen, J. M. Oxner, M. D., Mrs. Oxner.

Laichow-fu.—J. W. Lowe, Mrs. Lowe, W. B. Glass, Mrs. Glass, Miss Mary D. Willeford, E. M. Huckaby, M. D., Mrs. Huckaby.

INTERIOR CHINA.

Chengchow, Honan.—W. W. Lawton, Mrs. Lawton, W. E. Sallee, A. Y. Napier.

Annual Report of the South China Mission, 1904.

When Paul and Barnabas returned from their first missionary journey, they reported to those who had sent them out and "rehearsed all that God had done with them and how He had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles." At the close of another year we make to those who sent us out this brief report of what God has permitted us to do during the year.

Missionaries.—Early in the year Miss Kennon retired from the mission and married Mr. W. H. Kampkin, of Swatow. But near the end of the year our hearts were rejoiced by large additions to our numbers. Dr. and Mrs. Graves and Miss North returned to the work, much refreshed by a period of rest in America. Of the new missionaries, Bro. and Sister Snuggs have settled at Shiu Hing, and having some knowledge of the language, are beginning work. Dr. and Mrs. Meadows and Miss Julia Meadows have gone to Wuchow and begun study. Bro. and Sister Tipton are temporarily sojourning at Canton and studying the language, but they will move to Wuchow as soon as they can find a house. Bro. Lake is living at Canton, beginning the language and looking over the Sz-Yap country to learn from what point he can best prosecute the work in that field. Bro. and Sister Roach arrived the middle of December and have decided to join the workers at Yingtak.

While no member of the mission has been critically ill during the year, many have been in feeble health or worn down with many cares and labors, so that few have been able to do full work. Some have found it necessary to rest in Macao or Hong-Kong longer than usual, and it has seemed wise for some to

seek a greater change of climate. Nevertheless much work has been done, though many are burdened that so much of the field around us remains untouched.

We rejoice that the coming of new workers enables us to settle missionaries at three places outside of Canton, so that they are more convenient to some of the distant stations; but we desire to use all proper means to maintain the solidarity of our mission, and by frequent meetings for conference and consultation to continue the unity of effort which has hitherto been a characteristic of our work.

Equipment.—The John Stout Memorial Hospital was finished and opened April 20th with appropriate public exercises. After protracted negotiations, an eligible lot has been bought at Yingtak, large enough for three residences and a hospital. Two residences are being built, to be finished early in 1905. The new chapel in the west end of Canton has been finished and opened with bright prospects. For several years the accommodations for missionaries in Canton have been inadequate to the needs of the small force here, and the rent now paid for missionaries' residences in this city would in two years amount to enough to build a good residence. The school work also is much hampered because of lack of room. Hence the Board has given permission to sell the property now used by the mission, and to buy a larger place where sufficient accommodations can be provided for the work and the workers. For two years we have been searching for a suitable lot, and at last we are able to report that some land has been secured, and we feel sure that we shall be able to buy what is needed. The old lot could not be sold till the new was found, but negotiations are now pending which promise to bring a good price. The proper prosecution of the medical work at Yingtak calls for the building of a hospital at that place, and a building for a girls' school is also urgently needed at that station. The coming of the new missionaries will call for new residences to make the workers comfortable and to avoid the payment of heavy rents.

The Field.—Most of our work lies in the western part of the Kwongtung Province and in the eastern part of the Kwongsai Province. The field naturally falls into three sections:

The Kwongsai Field has its centre at Wuchow. There are three churches, numerous out-stations, and more than six hundred church members. Dr. McCloy having been chiefly occupied with the medical work, has not been able to give as much time as usual to the remote parts of the field. The coming of reinforcements to this station is cause for devout gratitude. About half this work is among people who speak Mandarin, and there is urgent need of two men to learn this dialect and work among these people.

The Hak-ka Field.—The Hak-kas, among whom we work, live in Kwongtung Province, but the difference of dialect makes this a separate field. Yingtak is its centre. There are now four churches and more than twelve hundred members. Not one of these churches has a settled pastor, and the converts sorely need pastoral oversight. Bro. Saunders has done much work among these brethren, but the field is much too large for one man. The coming of Bro. Roach is very opportune.

The Canton Field.—In this are included the ten churches and

several stations in the Kwongtung Province, among the people who speak Cantonese. Several of these churches are connected with the work of our mission only by the fellowship proper among neighboring Baptist churches, but they are always glad of our advice and assistance. During this year the missionaries in Canton have been so fully occupied with the important interests at the headquarters of the mission that the country work has suffered for lack of attention. The settlement of missionaries at Shiu Hing and the coming of Bro. Lake for the Sz-Yap field will enable us to do more in this respect, but these additions are far short of what we need.

At the close of the year, surveying the whole field, we are persuaded that, although lack of time and strength has caused much important work to be neglected, still there has been some progress in nearly every section, and the outlook is peculiarly hopeful.

Churches and Stations.—Scattered over this field there are more than fifty places where there are a few Christians connected with the work of our mission. At each of more than forty of these stations there is a preacher, who meets with the Christians on Sunday, teaches them their Christian duty as he has opportunity, and preaches the Gospel to all who will hear. Last year we reported that churches had been organized at fourteen places. This year three other churches have been organized. That at Tong-tsuen in the Hak-ka field had 20 members, to which 9 were added by baptism the same day. That at Koo-tsing in the Sz-Yap field had 43 members, 2 were baptized the same day, and ten or more have since been added by letter. The third church was organized in Canton in January with nearly forty members, and 28 have been added during the year. Other churches ought to be organized as soon as there are suitable brethren to serve as pastors.

Some of these 17 churches have been without pastors all the year. Of the pastors who have been with the churches this year only four have received help from the funds of the mission. Several, in addition to what the churches have paid them, have received help from Chinese in America and from their friends. The pastor of the Sainam church has been partially supported by the Association composed of these 17 churches. It is hoped that when this church has completed its house of worship it will be self-supporting, and the Association can then begin work in some other city. Some of the other churches are making hopeful progress towards self-support.

Evangelizing the Heathen.—Street preaching means public preaching to crowds gathered from the street, whether in some vacant space near the street, or in some chapel opened for the purpose. The missionaries have been able to do less of this work than formerly, but it has not been neglected. The native pastors and preachers have given much time to such work, and many occasional sermons have been preached by other brethren. By these sermons the seed is sown broadcast, and many hear only once. The germinating of this seed by the influence of the Holy Spirit will surely lead to future harvests. Others hearing once, come again and again, grow interested and apply to the preachers at the chapels for further instruction. In most of the

chapels there is a meeting of brethren and enquirers each night to worship and to study the Scriptures.

Protracted meetings are also becoming common. The street preaching reaches a constantly shifting audience. Most of the people in the immediate neighborhood are too busy to attend at the street preaching. Hence the practice is growing of holding services at night, the meetings being advertised in the neighborhood, and often large numbers come night after night and listen quietly to the preaching of the Word.

Work Among the Women.—In former years the public preaching in the chapels rarely reached heathen women. But more recently it has been found that the women are willing to come to the chapels to hear, if provision is made for them to sit apart from the crowd of men. Efforts are being made to provide room for them in our chapels so that they also can hear. In some of the chapels in quiet neighborhoods they come at night also.

The lady missionaries and the Bible women have been earnest and diligent in visiting the women in their homes and persuading the things which pertain to eternal life. Some of the ladies have taken difficult journeys to distant stations to spread the truth and to encourage the few women who have come into the church. The increase in the number of Bible women has enabled us to send several to remote country stations where little had heretofore been done for evangelizing the women. Although some of these Bible women have but limited equipment for the work, their labors are already bearing fruit. One of the most consecrated and efficient of the Bible women has died during the year, and others are growing old and feeble.

The number of girls' day schools also has increased. In these, scores of girls and women, mainly from heathen families, have learned to read the Scriptures and other Christian books, and many of them seem to have accepted the truth in their hearts, though hindered by their parents from joining the church. These schools are taught by Christian Chinese women, and are visited by the missionaries as opportunity affords.

In addition to these formal labors for the spread of the Gospel, it is worthy of mention that most of our brethren and sisters are bold for the truth, and are ready to tell both to their friends and to strangers the good news which they have believed.

Under the blessing of God, these varied labors have not been in vain, and during the year 474 men and women have been added to the church and baptized on profession of faith in Christ.

Training the Converts.—It grows more and more evident that the bulk of the work of evangelizing China must be done by the Chinese churches. But to do this work, they must have long and careful training. Most of these converts are fresh from heathenism, ignorant of Christian truth, hampered by heathen traditions and superstitions. Moreover, they are scattered over a wide extent of country, very poor, able to spare only the Sunday from their work, so that many of them can be reached by the missionary only once or twice a year. It follows, therefore, that the work of training the rank and file of the churches must be left to trained leaders, and the chief work of the missionaries must be to train the leaders and to have a general oversight of their work. To this end frequent classes are held here and there, in which church members are gathered for a few days

for the study of the Scriptures and for instruction in the duties of the Christian life. The preachers and Bible women are often assembled at suitable centres to make reports of the state of the work in their several fields and to confer with the missionaries on questions pertaining to the spread of the truth.

Under these circumstances we are moved to put growing emphasis upon our distinctively educational work, whose object is to train leaders for the churches and through them develop self-supporting churches, ready to spread the Gospel in the regions beyond.

Theological School.—In the spring the troubled condition of affairs in Kwongsai Province made it unsafe for some of the brethren to leave their homes, and consequently the number of students was smaller. In the fall more than twenty were enrolled. Two brethren have completed the three years' course, and will be graduated in January and go regularly into the work. Some others also will probably take work, hoping to complete the course later.

When we secure the enlarged premises for our mission in Canton, we hope greatly to enlarge and develop the work of this school. There is a great scarcity of suitable text-books to put into the hands of these men who are expected to train the Baptist churches of South China. We hope the Board will soon find a young man to be specially designated to this school work. He should be well equipped, well trained, apt to teach, with some gifts for literary work. He will need to give some years to the study of the language and by contact with the people learn something of their needs, and then he can do a great work, training men for the ministry and preparing books for students and for those already at work.

The Girls' Boarding School is closing a very successful year. The course of study has been enlarged and made more definite, and the work of teachers and pupils has been worthy of praise. The pupils are mainly Christians or the daughters of Christian families. Several pupils were baptized, and at the close of the spring term only three little girls were left who were not members of the church. From this school are to come the future teachers and Bible women for our work, as well as the active Christian women who will help to make the churches strong for future conquests.

Woman's Training School.—Very few heathen Chinese women can read. Many women when they become Christians desire to learn to read the Bible and some are so situated as to be able to enter school. Others desire to study that they may learn to tell the story of salvation to their kindred and neighbors. Some such women have been received into the boarding school, but this arrangement has been far from satisfactory. Yet even under unfavorable circumstances, it has already added to the number of Bible women. A special building for this school and improved facilities for training these women are hoped for in connection with the prospective enlargement of our work.

The Canton Academy is a school for boys supported and controlled by our Chinese Baptist brethren. It continues to do good work, but better is desired. It seems to us that missionaries must still for some years to come help with the education of the boys and young men in our churches. We ask, therefore, for a

young man well equipped for such work, to give most of his time to the cause of general education among the three thousand members of our seventeen churches.

There are many all over China who desire to learn English, and a school for teaching English could probably be made self-supporting, if houses for the school and the teacher were provided. Such a school, taught by an earnest Baptist, would be a help to our work here, but it does not seem to be the proper thing for a missionary of our Board to give his time to such work.

At many places away from Canton the brethren are opening schools for the education of their boys and girls, and it seems wise for us in some cases to give help by supplementing the meagre salaries of the teachers, but the amount granted in any case is very small. Many of these local schools are self-supporting and are centres of much Christian teaching.

Distribution of Literature.—It has always been the policy of our mission to make large use of books and tracts to spread the truth among those who know it not, and to inform and enlighten those who have already accepted the truth. Missionaries, preachers and colporters have continued to offer for sale Christian literature, often at a mere nominal price. Many copies of the Scriptures, Gospel Hymns, and other helpful books have been sold from the book rooms in Canton. Several colporters have been employed, but most of them have been expected to remain at single stations to lead the worship of the Christians on Sunday; so that the colportage work has been less prominent than it should have been. We mention with pleasure the gift of \$75, gold, from the American Tract Society for the distribution of Christian literature.

The China Baptist Publication Society.

This Society does not belong to our mission, but as one of our number gives most of his time to the work, it properly has a place in this report. The growth of this Society has been phenomenal. Beginning a little over five years ago in borrowed quarters on a back street in the Chinese city with one old-fashioned press turned by coolies, it now has property in the foreign settlement steadily appreciating in value, building well suited to its work, four presses run by a kerosene motor, with other equipment to correspond, and good room to enlarge as need may require. From the beginning it has had a warm place in the affections of most of the Baptists in China, both native and foreign, and has found some earnest helpers in America. If the movement now in progress shall succeed in raising the money desired, the Society will then be on a secure footing, and will not need to ask farther contributions except occasional gifts to its missionary fund. The advice and help of Bro. F. J. Bostick have been of much value to the Society, and now that he has returned to America there is need of the assistance of two active young men trained in the printing business. One of these is expected early next year, and the other hopes to come in the fall. When these shall have become acquainted with the work, it will be possible greatly to enlarge the operations of the Society. The literature of the Society is going into the work of the Baptists

in all parts of China and among the Chinese of America, and many missionaries of other denominations in South China are glad to welcome it as a helper in their work.

There is much Christian literature now circulating in the Chinese Empire, some of it good, and some of it not as good as it ought to be. Of Baptist literature there is a great scarcity. Perhaps nowhere are the plain Baptists in greater danger of being infected by some of the insidious errors of other denominations. Of the Baptists now in China, not many have the ability to prepare the books needed to guard against these errors, and fewer still have the time. It is greatly to be desired that all the stations both of our Board and of the Missionary Union should be so manned by well trained workers that those who have the ability and taste for literary labors may also have the leisure to prepare some of the literature much needed for the establishing of our brethren in the truth held by our Baptist people.

Medical Work.—Relieving human suffering is a Christ-like work, whether it be in a heathen land or a Christian land, and this would justify the sending of Christian physicians to China. But it has been found that medical work also brings many into contact with the Gospel, often opens men's hearts to receive the truth, and so this branch of the work is a very efficient means of spreading the knowledge of salvation. The completion of the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow makes a long forward step in the work in that province, and the addition of two physicians to the staff of the hospital brings still farther enlargement. As Dr. and Mrs. Hayes lived in a poorly ventilated Chinese house in the midst of the city of Yingtak, it was not considered safe for them to remain during the heated term. Since their return much time had to be given to the oversight of the building of the new residences. Notwithstanding these hindrances, much has been done in prescribing for the afflicted, and the work is having a happy effect upon the people of the city and in the surrounding country. As soon as possible after the residences are finished, work ought to begin on a hospital at that place.

When we are settled in the new location in Canton, there will be imperative need of a physician residing on the premises, and as a large part of the people residing there will be girls and women, it seems desirable to have a lady physician.

Besides these missionary physicians, there are several of our Baptist Chinese who have read medicine, and now have a large and successful practice, not only making a good living, but also exerting a wide influence in favor of the gospel.

Our Needs.

In conclusion we desire again to emphasize some of our most urgent needs:

1. As to requirements: The enlarged premises in Canton, giving residences for missionaries and suitable buildings for the schools; and the hospital and girls' school at Yingtak.

2. As to workers: Two men and wives for the Kwongsai Province to work among the people who speak Mandarin; a man to be in preparation for the theological work; a man for the work of general education; and a lady physician for Canton.

Grateful for the good hand of our God upon us and for the sympathy and co-operation of our brethren, we pray that these blessings may be ours in the future yet more abundantly.

Summary of Medical Work.

	Out-patients.	In-patients.	Operations.
Wuchow	1,057.....	49.....	56
Yingtak	1,439.....		44

Summary of Colportage.

Books and tracts sold.....	40,012
Pages, about.....	416,830
Old Testaments.....	112
New Testaments.....	520
Received from sales.....	\$350.01

CENTRAL CHINA.

Report of E. F. Tatum.

At the beginning of the year I had pastoral care of the Rifle Butts church, the presidency of the Boys' School, charge of the Mandarin and Cantonese work, with four other evangelists, two out-stations, and the treasurership of the mission.

In May Bro. Rawlinson, who had been treasurer and teacher of English in the Boys' School, had grown enough in the language and a knowledge of the condition of things to accept the presidency of the school. At the same time Bro. Britton accepted the charge of one of the out-stations.

In October, to our delight, Dr. Bryan and family returned from the home land to the station, and they were shortly followed by reinforcements, Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Provence. They are reinforcements of much promise. Dr. Bryan takes charge of the Mandarin and Cantonese work. For those who share in the responsibility and help in the work we give praise to the Lord and thanks to the brotherhood.

The harvest is not so large as we could wish to have seen. We thank the Lord for the sixteen who were added to the churches in Shanghai. The evangelists were left too much to themselves. We hope to associate with them in the Lord's work more in the future. If we are to reap what we sow, may we be able to do better sowing.

The growth in grace seen among the laymen of the Old North Gate church has been comforting. Besides contributing to the support of their pastor, to repairs and incidental expenses of the church, they have also given liberally to the Chinese Baptist Publication Society, the widow and orphan fund, in connection with the war in the north, etc., etc. They have been active in afternoon Sunday schools, and taken quickened interest in all the affairs of their church. "There is that which is natural first and then that which is spiritual." Granted that pride and ambition may be mixed with love, may the love increase and the pride and ambition decrease.

We close the year with a total of eighty-four missionaries in our China mission, and all but one on the field. That is a fact for us all to be profoundly thankful for,

We have established this year one more mission in the Empire, the Interior China Mission. Brethren Lawton and Sallee went up and down the country looking for the place where the Lord would have them locate. They selected Chengchow, in the Honan province. The Interior Mission will help us to understand how much more there is for us to undertake for God in China. Bro. A. Y. Napier, the first reinforcement for the Interior Mission, has just arrived, but that brings us into the new year. May the new year be one marked with advancement in the fields and at home.

The Report of R. T. Bryan.

More than half of the year was spent at home speaking on the general mission work and raising money for the college.

Our voyage would have been a very pleasant one but for serious sickness of some members of our family while on the journey.

God, who is good, "healed our diseases" and brought us safely across the ocean to our beloved adopted home and work.

We arrived early in October and began at once to study the language and to plan for future work.

The mission asked me to take up again the theological work, and much time has been given to prepare for more thorough and efficient teaching.

Some time has been given to the study of the Cantonese dialect to prepare myself for supervising the work among the sixty thousand Cantonese in Shanghai. We have a few Cantonese members and a number of enquirers, and hope to organize a Cantonese Baptist church in a few weeks.

We have also arranged to organize a church for the Mandarin speaking people in Shanghai on Sunday after next. We shall be able to begin with about ten members, and there are a number of hopeful enquirers.

The Sunday services and enquirers' meetings have been well attended, and the outlook is most hopeful.

We enter on the work of 1905 with hope and courage.

Report of Frank Rawlinson.

The year just past has been one of varied experiences. The year that has come, however, finds us more firmly bound to this work and country. We have not done just what we expected; on the other hand, we have done some things we had not hoped for. Of blessings we have had our full share; of success we cannot say much; but we are still buoyed up by hope and confident expectation that God will duplicate in the future what He has done in the past. We have had brought to our notice many evidences that China is growing away from its old conservatism. We have also seen in the lives of many of these people real effort to live in accordance with the life principles of Christ. While often we note with sadness how heathenism and heathenish practices sometimes sway those who have professed Christ, yet we can see on every hand evidences that Christ is choosing out for Himself a people from this ancient nation.

My own work has been along the lines of studying, preaching, teaching and superintending. Mrs. Rawlinson has been occupied

mainly with the home. The care of that and the three children has not left room for much besides a little studying. She finds her hands tied when it comes to much direct mission work, but consoles herself with the thought that in providing and keeping a home for me and the children she leaves me free to attend practically altogether to mission work.

For myself I have had more time to study this year than last, especially the latter part of the year. Through the help of Mrs. Tatum, and lately Bro. Provence, in the school, I have been able to spend most of the afternoons in studying. This is not so much as I would like, still it is much better than before. The language now begins to be more intelligible. It was a real achievement when it was possible to give an invitation after a meeting in the school with the boys and find that some of them understood and expressed their interest in their souls' welfare enough to stand up and show it. It was with some fear that I ventured to go so far knowing how important a matter this is. But I have to thank God that this upside-down speech is beginning to open up in real earnest. I am hoping to devote at least the same amount of time next year to studying, with the help of others.

When I attempt to preach there is no way of knowing just what proportion of what I say is understood. If I judged by the generosity of my Chinese hearers, I might be led to suppose that no more mistakes had been made than might be made by one of themselves under similar circumstances. I am not quite like the good brother who, after having been here but a few weeks, went out and tried to preach. When asked if he thought the people understood he is said to have replied: "That does not matter, the Gospel has to be preached." Still I have come to where I feel that sometimes I must at least try to say something worth while. Lately I have every Sunday afternoon conducted the service usually held for the boys of the school. In addition, I have frequently had the privilege of leading the prayer-meeting here. It may not sound like much; it seems like a great deal to us who do it.

A good deal of time has been spent in teaching in the boys' school. When Bro. Tatum resigned, I was elected to the presidency of the school. I have enjoyed the work. With the help of Mrs. Tatum and Bro. Provence, the school has been put on a little stronger basis. We have learned that just in proportion to the foreign supervision is the real worth of the school. Being at the same time treasurer and president, a good deal of labor was entailed in the way of superintending. All the funds were put into my hands. On occasions it is necessary for the president to be doctor and other things. Our school has been blessed this year, though, in having a very small proportion of sickness. This has been due in part to the fact that the school is in the country.

The average number of boys present during the past year has been thirty-eight. Of these five came in as Christians and two have been baptized. Quite a number of the boys manifested interest in Christianity, but two were all that seemed to have gone far enough into it to be led on into baptism. That leads me to mention something that the school needs to make it more serviceable to us. First, primary schools in all our stations to fit

boys of our Christians to enter this school. The primary use of our schools should be to fit the boys connected with our churches for life and worthy church membership. Second, a larger percentage of Christian boys, and boys from Christian homes. Only one-fourth of the boys present during the past year were connected with Christian families. Third, a nucleus of boys who come to take the whole course given in the school. Christians who assist boys to come should require that those boys finish the course. At present most of the boys we teach come and get a smattering of education, and then just as they get interesting leave the school. Fourth, we need to have more of the boys in the school converted. That this may be so, and that foreign and Chinese teachers in it may have a right influence we ask remembrance in prayer. During the last year the educational committee of the mission prepared a course of study which will be put in operation next year. We are full of hope that some of the things mentioned as needed will be in evidence when another year has rolled by. We have been at it long enough to realize where some of the defects are, and we ask your aid and prayers to remedy them.

Report of T. C. Britton, Soochow.

In thinking over reasons for praising God, the following points occur to me: That He is the Creator of all and the Disposer of all. He has wrought redemption in the midst of the earth and established His kingdom; has carried forward His kingdom to the present stage and actually seems to be moving forward the banner of that kingdom among us, and has promised that His kingdom shall spread to vast proportions and come to a glorious consummation. Some things that make us hope that He is setting forward the banner of His kingdom in this part of the field:

Our prayer-meeting and other church services are better attended than ever before here in Soochow. Also there are encouragements in connection with the churches at Quinsan and Changzeh. The coming of Bro. Thomas to the field and the entrance of Bro. McDaniel and two native brethren upon the work have put us in a position to do both the pastoral work and regular preaching to better advantage. While some of us are in the country, the others can do the work at home.

Meetings have been held at all three of the churches. At Quinsan three have been added by baptism during the year, making a membership of thirteen. There are now sixteen members at Changzeh, four having been added. Two were added to the Soochow church in the spring, four in the summer, and six in the autumn—two of these, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, were received by letter. The membership of this church is now thirty-six. One very encouraging thing about the additions is that so nearly all of them were brought in by the members.

The interest in Bible study also seems to have improved. Mrs. Britton's class for women is largely attended, and both the members and others study eagerly. During the four months at Soochow and eleven days at Changzeh of class work, there was an average attendance of ten.

There has been improvement made in our day school, which, we hope, will make it more acceptable to the members, for the

benefit of whose children especially it is carried on. Our mission, through the work of its committees, is co-operating as never before. May the Lord continue His favors upon this part of His vineyard.

Report of W. E. Crocker, Chinkingang.

The year 1904 has witnessed the following changes in the workers of our station. Mr. Lawton and family left to open the new interior station at Chengchow, Honan, accompanied by Mr. Sallee. Misses Mackenzie and Parker removed to Yangchow, to begin their new work at that place. Mr. McCrea and family arrived the last of October to take up work here.

Chinkingang Station—Evangelistic Work.—The regular Sunday services have been well attended all the year. At the daily evangelistic services the chapel is generally well filled. Two protracted meetings have been held with three services each day, and continuing about two weeks each time. Frequent meetings have been held for special prayer. The effort has been made to give as much instruction in the Bible as possible. Personal conversation has been used in the guest room, at the after meetings, and at other places. Efforts are made to get people to make definite decisions for Christ. More than two hundred have said that they believed in Jesus during the year, nearly one hundred have been examined for baptism, and thirty-seven have been received by baptism. The church roll has over seventy names.

Colportage.—Mr. Lawton opened a book store before he left, and the sale of books has been fairly good.

Schools.—The day school for boys is making fair progress. About twenty-five boys are enrolled.

Miscellaneous.—The book room has been rebuilt and enlarged, the house for the McCreas has been repaired. The pastoral work of the Chinkingang church has entailed much work looking after the members, etc. A monthly meeting, called the "tea meeting," at which the Christians met and discussed religious questions, was started by the church. I have endeavored as time and strength would allow to study the language.

The church (natives) have contributed during the year about fifty dollars, Mexican. Most of this money was given to support the country work.

Out-stations.—Chu Yung is a city about thirty miles from here. In this city a good place was rented, giving room for chapel, school and living place for helper. One of our members there, a Chinese scholar, began a boys' school. A helper with his wife and mother was sent to live and work there. Six have been baptized from this town during the year, and three of these have gone to study the Bible with Bro. Britton, and expect to attend the Bible School next year in Shanghai. Another place has been leased in Chu Yung by money from the native home board to give more room for the work. Near the end of the year the native helper was removed from there. North of Chu Yung City about fifteen miles a chapel has been built by the natives (except \$3, Mexican), and a small boys' school has been opened there, and also regular Sunday services, with Sunday school. About five miles from this place another place is opened, but the chapel has not yet been built. Thirteen have been baptized from these two places.

Kuo Chow.—This is a city just across the river, at the mouth of the Grand Canal. Mr. Wang, a man who was baptized last summer, and who has some wealth, has opened a school there, and asks us to hold regular services each Sunday. It costs the mission nothing.

We pray for family conversions, for native workers, for more foreign workers, and, above all, for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. There is no difficulty in getting people to listen. In fact, the opportunities are so many we cannot meet them all.

Report of P. S. Evans, M. D., Yang Chow.

We moved to Yang Chow March 2d. The dispensary building was begun March 18th. May 12th the Yang Chow officials gave us use of a piece of land on the west, between our wall and the road, about 85x130 feet, and on June 28th the wall was finished. July 1st I took the family up to Kuling, coming down in time for the conference and committee meetings in Shanghai.

Then I returned to Yang Chow to oversee the finishing of our house and the work on the dispensary. I stayed till August 21st, when I went to Kuling, where I had two weeks with my family before coming down. On leaving Kuling we went up to Hankow, where I visited the six hospitals in that immediate vicinity. On our return I began very soon to fit up the dispensary. We opened regularly for patients on December 5th. The attendance began well, and increased rapidly. The total number of visits is 194, paid by 87 different patients.

The gate to the hospital and dispensary, with the name upon it, gold lettering, was paid for by a special gift of \$15 (gold) from the Sunday school of Torrington, Conn.

I should mention the arrival, March 1st, of my father and sister. My father is helping me greatly by doing most of my writing, as well as helping in the training of the students, of whom I now have three. I have a short service with the dispensary patients every day we open, and a Bible class once a week with the medical students.

Mrs. Evans' special work has been a Bible class for women every Tuesday. She also conducts Chinese prayers for me when my hands are full with the patients or other work.

Report of L. W. Pierce, Yang Chow.

Some time ago one of the managers of the Hong-Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation said to our treasurer: "You Baptists are building in more ways than one in China." While this is no mean saying, we feel keenly the importance of giving our time to building up the spiritual kingdom of our Lord in this land of darkness. It has been my lot for a good portion of the past year to be engaged in buying land and in building houses. Since last January a good dwelling has been put up on the compound on which we have been living for the past eight years. So that we have not only a good dwelling on this compound, but also rooms where we can receive and teach the native Christians and enquirers, and carry on a school for the Christians' children. In the way of land buying, it is a pleasure to report that we have secured a good size piece of land for a ladies' home, women's and girls' school buildings. The wall around this land is to be com-

pleted soon. Land is not expensive in this part of China, but it takes much time and talk to secure it. The evangelistic work has been carried on as usual in connection with the above work. First, my work has been with the little church in Yang Chow. With the exception of a few Sundays spent in the country, I have led the two services on Sunday and the prayer-meeting on Wednesday, as well as having the general pastoral care of the church.

Besides teaching enquirers from time to time, I have held two general classes during the year for country Christians and enquirers—one in the summer and one in the fall.

Last fall the western section of our Central China Mission asked Mrs. Pierce and myself to begin a boarding school in Yang Chow for the children of native Christians. This we did, and have carried it on until the present. A part of my time has been given to this work. This school is the beginnings of our future boys' and girls' schools for this section of the mission. As soon as the girls' school building is completed, the single ladies will take charge of the girls.

Preaching services have been held three or four evenings in each week for heathen in our church building. The country work has not been pushed as aggressively as it should have been, or as we hope for it to be in the coming year, on account of the above mentioned work. We have four out-stations in connection with the Yang Chow section.

At Ching Lou, a village about twenty-five miles from Yang Chow, we have a small chapel, which was leased in the spring. Eight of our Yang Chow Christians live in this section. Services are held on Sundays at this place, conducted by one of the Christians when the missionary is away. Two were baptized from this section in December. The other three places, Tien Tsong, T'sa Kan and Hwa-Kiao-Chow, are as yet without any place of worship, except in the Christians' houses. They say that they will furnish houses if we will come and teach them. The Christians in the city decided to celebrate Christmas as they did last year, which was by decorating the church building and holding a week's meeting, thus endeavoring to save the lost. All went into the work heartily. The congregations were unusually large. Many expressed a desire to be Christians. On the last day twenty-two came forward and gave their names as believers in the Saviour. In December we had four baptisms.

In October I opened a book room on one of the principal streets. Here is kept a supply of Bibles, Testaments and religious books and tracts of various kinds. Through the kindness of the Society for the Diffusion of Knowledge in China, I secured books at 25 per cent. discount, so I hope to make it self-supporting. A number of books and tracts have already been sold. We are glad to report enquirers in all our stations. The fields are white unto harvest. We turn our faces to the new year with the hope that a great harvest may be gathered by the close of 1905.

REPORT OF NORTH CHINA MISSION.

With praise and thanksgiving to our Master, whom we delight to honor and serve, we report the year's work of 1904 the most fruitful in blessed results of all the years in the history of the

mission. The work in this mission is divided into three departments—evangelistic, educational and medical—and during the year the Lord has graciously blessed the work in all these departments.

Evangelistic.

In the early portion of the year all the stations, in giving up a very large proportion of their native evangelists in order for them to attend the new Training School, realized that the work for the year would have to be done by a small force, but they felt so forcefully the need of trained native co-laborers, that they gladly gave them up, and appealed to the Lord for help in carrying forward the work. The Lord did not fail to hear, and answered by making it the very best year in the history of the mission.

During the year there were received into the churches 162 by baptism, an increase of $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. over the number baptized the previous year.

There are now ten churches in the mission, with a total membership of 930, which is an increase of 19.84 per cent. over the number reported last year.

Teng Chow.—At this, the oldest station in the mission, there has been no special effort at any one season during the year, yet enquirers have come steadily every month. These have, almost without exception, been the fruit of native labor, and have come to the missionaries for further instruction.

During the year 39 were baptized into the membership of the three churches connected with this station, and the three churches now have a membership of 292.

In the country, ten miles east of the city of Teng Chow, three years ago there was not one Christian, now there are 35. The Teng Chow church has grown until it has a membership of 230, yet its strength is not great, as only thirty of these live in the city, and two hundred are scattered among forty country villages. These scattered members mean many country churches within a few years.

In addition to the services held in the three churches and three chapels, much work has been done upon the streets and in the markets. Woman's work has been prosecuted in the usual lines, such as city visiting, receiving and teaching callers in the missionary's home, classes and schools. To this should be added an occasional trip to the country.

Hwang-Hien.—The Lord has signally blessed the work of this station for the year, and 53 have been added to the churches by baptism, which is an increase of 152 per cent. over the number baptized the previous year.

The preaching force for the year has been small, yet many villages have been visited and the Word preached to thousands.

During the year four classes for enquirers have been held, three for men and one for women, resulting in several baptisms.

In addition to the regular services at the two churches, an evangelistic service is held every Sunday afternoon for men at the chapel in the city, and a service in Shoo Lan Kia Tan for women and children, and in addition to these there are eleven out-stations where services are frequently held, and much preaching done upon the streets and in the markets.

Pingtu.—With a native pastor, twelve evangelists and four Bible women, the country districts have been visited continuously throughout the year. Fruit has been brought forth by seed sown, and 61 persons have been baptized into the four churches connected with this station.

Six or seven villages in the country have services held regularly each Sunday by students from the boys' school.

An enquirers' class numbering 240 was held in the early part of the year. About two hundred professed conversion, though only fifty have been baptized.

A Sunday school institute, lasting three days, was held in July. About thirty attended the sessions. The object was to instruct the leading members of the churches in the principles and elementary methods of Sunday school work.

A workers' class, attended by evangelists, colporters and Bible women, held an eight days' meeting. They were taught methods of evangelistic work, based on the work of Christ and the apostles. The result has been gratifying, the evangelists seeming to be better able to reach the people and hold their attention while they learn what is necessary to salvation. Another class has been held for the instruction of Christians.

One feature that is very helpful to the work of this station is a workers' conference, held each month by evangelists, colporters, Bible women and leading Christians, in which problems which come to any are discussed, and the work in general talked over and prayed over. The brethren certainly come into closer touch with one another during these meetings, and a greater unity is maintained than would be possible otherwise.

Laichowfu.—The Lord has blessed the work at this new station during the year, and nine have been baptized—seven men and two women. These two are the first fruits from among the women. On Sunday three preaching services are held and a Sunday school. The attendance at all these meetings is exceedingly gratifying.

Two classes for enquirers have been held—one for men and one for women. The class for men was attended by eleven. The class for women had an attendance of eight, nearly all of whom before leaving gave evidence of having accepted Christ.

A greater number of villages have been visited this year than usual, and thousands of pages of Gospels and tracts have been distributed. Work among the women has been done in forty villages, and some of the women have given up their idolatry and seem anxious to know the truth. At intervals during the year women from the city and from villages far and near have called. This has afforded a splendid opportunity to tell them something of the Gospel, and nearly all who came heard some part of the story.

Educational.

During the year very decided progress has been made in school work. The reports show that there are now 21 schools, with an attendance of 519, which is an increase of 31 per cent. over the attendance for 1903. This does not include the Training School.

Not only has there been an increase in numbers, but the uniform course of study adopted by all the schools has brought forth better work than that done heretofore, and a committee is

now at work upon a course of study which will add two years to the present course.

The increased interest in educational work means better evangelistic work in the future, for one of the great needs of the present is educated and trained native evangelists. Looking to this end, all in the mission feel that the time has come when the interests of the work in this mission demand the establishment of a college for the higher education of young men.

Teng Chow.—The total enrollment in the girls' boarding school for the year is 33. The pupils have done good work, as shown by weekly reviews and final examinations. The spiritual life of the school has grown in power, and there are few who are not Christians. Two of the past year's graduates are in attendance upon the Training School. A Mission Band in the school, which is a branch of the Woman's Mission Society of the church, meets every evening. The members of this band have agreed to give one-tenth of all they make at lace work or otherwise to the Lord.

In connection with the Teng Chow work are five day schools, which have an enrollment of 130. At the North Gate, near where the work in North China was started, is a memorial school for large boys and small boys and girls, which has enrolled 37 pupils. At this place land has been purchased for the erection of a school house and chapel, but on account of the extremely high prices arising from the war between Russia and Japan, it is thought unwise to build at this time. In the Southern portion of the city, near the church, is a school which has enrolled 52 pupils. The church school, which is entirely supported by a legacy fund, has an enrollment of eight. At Ching Wan Tzi, thirty li south of the city, is a school with an enrollment of 17. At Meng Chia is a school of 16 boys, which has done good work.

The influence of the war has greatly hindered the school work around Teng Chow. The people have been rendered so poor by the extremely high prices that they have been forced to keep their children at home to work, or have been unable to clothe them.

Hwang-Hien.—The boys' boarding school, in connection with this station has had an enrollment of 34 pupils, and the work in the school has been done satisfactorily.

The day school at Hwei Ching has had an attendance of 25 pupils. This school is composed of a class of boys, the training of whose minds and hearts it is believed will tell for good in the future.

In addition to these two schools, there has been a day school for small girls, which has had an attendance of ten pupils.

Pingtu.—The boys' boarding school enrolled 87 pupils. The work of the teachers has been well done, and the students have responded readily and have made good progress. Nearly all pay their board, in proportion to their means, the amount being settled by a committee of native brethren. There is a Y. M. C. A. in the school, with an enrollment of 50. Fully two-thirds of the boys are Christians. Nine feel the call to preach the Gospel, and five hope to be teachers. The girls' boarding school enrolled 53. During the year the work has been done satisfactorily. Seven were baptized and others have decided for Christ. The attitude toward natural feet is good, nearly all the girls having already unbound their feet. Eight day schools in the country have 132 pupils.

Laichowfu.—In connection with this station there are two day schools. One in the city of Laichowfu, with an attendance of 14. Then one which is taught in a temple near Sahwoa, with five boarders and nine day pupils. Some of the boys in the last mentioned school have been baptized during the year. The teacher is an earnest Christian, and preaches to the villagers every Sunday. In addition to these schools, a heathen school in the eastern portion of the city, with twenty pupils, has disbanded and turned over its school-room to this station, free of rent, and guarantees that at least ten of the pupils will attend a Christian school.

Training School.—It is with profound gratitude to Almighty God that we are able to report the opening of the North China Baptist Training School on February 29, 1904. This school fills a need which has been felt in this mission for many years, for unquestionably one of the very greatest needs in the mission is a trained native ministry.

The school has had an enrollment of 22 students. Besides these, there are three women who are taking the course in default of the Woman's Training School not having been opened as yet. During the year only one pupil has dropped out, which was made necessary on account of the necessities of his family. Only pupils are received who have been recommended by their churches, and soon after their arrival they are asked to make a statement of their experience of grace and of a call to the ministry. The plan of teaching is to carry the men through the following subjects within two years: (1) Old Testament History and Interpretation; (2) New Testament History and Interpretation; (3) Biblical Geography; (4) Evidences of Christianity; (5) Homiletics; (6) Systematic Theology; (7) Vocal Music; (8) Some work in Chinese.

One of the most interesting features in connection with the school is a workers' conference, held on Friday evenings to arrange for the work of the following Sunday, and Monday evenings, when a report is made of Sunday's work. Many villages and many places in the city are being worked and great good is being done. The school has been temporarily located in Teng Chow, but it has been thought best by the mission to permanently locate it in the city of Hwang-Hien.

In Teng Chow the quarters in which the school is being taught are very limited. The crowded condition is unwholesome from the point of view of health as well as the highest efficiency of the students, and would be intolerable but for the hope of having at an early date new quarters elsewhere.

Medical Work.

Medical work is now being done in three of the stations of the mission, and the Chinese are thus given an opportunity to see the benevolent aspect of Christianity.

Hwang-Hien.—During the year the Lord has blessed the work at the E. W. Warren Memorial Hospital. The patients for the year numbered 5,242; this being an increase of 31 per cent. over the attendance for the previous year. All who have come for treatment have heard the story of Christ and His love for fallen man. Many have heard the story gladly, and several have accepted Christ as their personal Saviour.

As was the case the previous year, a much larger number have come to hear the preaching of the Word than are reported as patients, and it is now known that two to three hours every day are given to the preaching of the Gospel of Christ at the Warren Memorial Hospital. The students in the medical class have done good work, and have completed the second year's course of their study.

Pingtü.—Medical work has been carried on by the native doctor. Since the arrival of the medical missionary he has been besieged by men, women and children, who wish to be treated by the foreign doctor. He has tried to keep free from the practice in order that he may not be hindered in acquiring the language, yet he has performed a number of operations and treated many patients. The attendance of patients for the year numbers 4,230, and the receipts \$674, just \$141 less than all expenses, including helpers, medicines and instruments.

Laichowfu.—The medical work at this station has been largely in the hands of a trained medical helper, who has made many friends to the work by his kindness to the patients. All rejoice that a medical missionary has been appointed for this station, and believe that the appointment has been made as a direct answer to prayer.

Personnel.

On January the 1st, 1904, there were three missionaries at the Pingtū station. Of these, one has entered into a rich reward in the Father's house, a notice of whose death has previously been given. Another has returned to the United States for medical treatment. Only one of the three remains, but the force has been increased by the removal of two members from Teng Chow, and the arrival of two new missionaries.

The force at Hwang-Hien has also been increased by the arrival of two new missionaries, and we all rejoice to know that there are now under appointment a young lady for North China and a medical missionary for Laichowfu. The immediate and imperative needs of the mission, and for which the mission as a body has already sent a request, are as follows: A family and a young lady for Teng Chow, a family for Choo Yuan and Chihia, and a family for Kao Mi.

INTERIOR CHINA MISSION.

Report of W. W. Lawton.

Two thoughts run through my mind every year when I begin to make my report. The one is: You are just trying to tell what you have done so as to get the praise of others. This is a wrong idea. We mutually inspire each other by telling of our work. We enlist sympathy and prayers. We strengthen each other for the fight. The other thought is: "It is only a short time before you shall have to give an account to God. Will you be ready to answer, 'I have done what I could?'"

The beginning of 1904 found our little family of five enjoying apartments in Miss Parker's house in Chinkiang; the end of the year finds our family of six in a Chinese house in Chengchow, Honan. To find a new centre of work in China in which to recommend our Baptist brethren of the South to open a new mis-

sion has not been an easy undertaking, but it has been a blessed privilege, in which we rejoice to have had a part.

In compliance with the request of the Foreign Mission Board, I went on a trip through Honan with Bro. W. Eugene Sallee early in the year, to study the province with an eye to opening work in it. The trip was a record making one. It is, so far as I know, the first time that any of our Baptist brethren have visited between South and Central China, going inland instead of up or down the coast. It is perhaps the second longest trip made into the interior of China by members of our Board. Bro. D. W. Herring, when working in Shanghai, possibly went further inland when he visited Szchuan. It is the first time for forty-four years since our Board has sent forth missionaries into China to find a new centre of work. More than two thousand miles were travelled. Two hundred was on foot—a part of it across mountains without a servant or native helper, but accompanied by a guard of ten soldiers. The trip did not result in our settling in Honan, but it did result in giving us better ideas of work in the interior. It was an eye-opener and an inspiration. Talk about what we are doing in China—we had better pray about what we are not doing!

Returning to Chinkiang a report of the trip was made to the Board. Awaiting their decision, Bro. Sallee settled down to solid work on the study of the language, and I, inspired by what I had seen on my trip, began to experiment on opening new work.

First, a long desired purpose of opening a book depot was carried out. A small house at the head of the West Gate street, which had formally been a cow-house, was slightly repaired and converted into a book room. A stock of goods costing about fifty dollars, United States gold, was put in here, and a newly baptized member of the Chinkiang church was offered one-quarter proceeds of all sales to keep it. The old man worked faithfully, and happily, and cleared for himself, the first month, about eighty cents! But he held on and soon the sales increased. The book room gives evidence of being a good accessory to the work.

My next experiment was to open a chapel and a small boys' school on Pai Wan. My personal teacher lived here. Some services were held in this place, and I hope that some good was done. But the experiment did not recommend itself very much. This chapel is now closed. Another chapel was opened at Suh R. Way—about fifteen miles up the river. This is a great salt centre. Native craft from above Hankow come here to take the salt into Honan and Hupeh, while many boats from Yien Ts'en, in N. E. Kiangsu, come down to discharge their cargo of salt for reshipment. The place has a population of about 20,000, and is a busy centre. At this place I held a week's meeting, besides visiting it every Sunday for two months and a half, and having my teacher to visit it for equally as long a time. While here we had numbers of callers to come in and hear the Word, or buy a tract or portion of Scripture (one of the Gospels or Acts), or to have a conversation, in which we tried to present Christ.

"Suh R Way," said the E. Tsen magistrate to me, "is a rough place. If the Gospel you preach can help that place, then you will indeed be doing a good work for China." Eight or nine years ago, when I first visited this place with Bro. Pierce, num-

bers of roughs and naughty children followed us, many crying out "Foreign Devil," "strike the Foreign Devil," "kill the Foreign Devil," but this year I was invited into the houses of a few of the old well-to-do residents and treated exceedingly kind. The Gospel can and will help Suh R Way.

When the summer came I took the family up to the mountains at Kuling. It was here that the matter of going interior was finally settled. Then came the question of location—not again, for it had not been put aside, but more pertinently than before. The Board had recruits for Central China if we would leave. If not, then the recruits were to be sent to more needy fields.

On Monday morning, August 29th, an hour or so before the day began to dawn, Sallee and myself left Kuling to go to Kai Feng-fu, the capital of Honan province. We had with us Mr. Wei, a young Chinese who had studied medicine under Dr. Cox, of the China Inland Mission at Chinkiang. We also took Huang Si Fu as cook and general "go-between," or middle man, at inns, etc. We travelled by river steamer from Kuikiang to Hankow, by railroad from Hankow to Sie Chuang, and walked from Sie Chuang to Chengchow, a distance of fifteen miles. It took us a little less than one week to come from Kiukiang to Chengchow. Before reaching Chengchow we had about decided that we would settle here first, and at Kai Feng-fu just as soon as recruits and the condition of the work would allow. Chengchow is on the Pehan railroad, and is higher and possibly more healthy than Kai Feng-fu. After one week of work and prayer in Chengchow we were in possession of our rented quarters. On Saturday afternoon, September 10th, we moved what little we had brought with us into our new compounds. What a rest it was to be in them and to be able to spend Sunday quietly seeing those who called. On Monday and Tuesday repairing and cleaning were talked over, planned and partially begun, and contracts given for the more important repairs. On Wednesday the cook and myself left for Kiangsu. Packing, settling accounts and turning over the work in Chinkiang was finished in about one week. At Kiukiang Mrs. Lawton joined me with the four little ones. They had come down the mountain fifteen miles in mountain chairs—part of the way in the rain. The baby was two months old. The three girls, aged one and a half, three and a half, and six, enjoy talking yet about the fine time they had piled together in one chair coming down the mountains. You need not ask if they were all tired and glad to get on the steamer after that day's experience! But the trip was not yet over—it was barely begun. However, on October 5th we all reached Chengchow. There was a jubilee meeting at 9 o'clock that night, when we unceremoniously came in on Sallee to run him out of house and home. But his one cot could not accommodate us all, and our furniture was a day behind us. The floors were of brick, so doors were put on benches for bedsteads. For about two weeks we worked hard to get straightened, and at the same time entertain the numerous callers. We will not soon forget the experience of moving to Chengchow. After two months and a half we begin to feel settled. We rejoice that even so soon as this there are one or two who seem ready to learn of Christ. We have had many blessings during our short stay here, and our Father has still greater ones in store for us.

We want: First, your substantial interest manifested in more workers for this new field; second, your prayers in behalf of the work and the workers.

Report of Mrs. Lawton.

"The blessing of the Lord it maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow with it." Truly God has fulfilled this promise in preparing a place for us in Chengchow—a thousand miles interior.

My work has been confined to the women and children who come to see us. I have had all the opportunity for teaching that I could use, in my own home. Many of the women come time after time—some of them from the country villages. Saturday a woman came eight miles to see the foreigners. Monday she returned again with an old lady eighty years of age. Most of them are willing to try to commit a text of Scripture and carry a little card containing the text to their homes. Many ask for medicine, and very few seem to be afraid. Most of them have never seen a foreign woman or children before.

So much of my time is required in serving tables that I long for the time to come when we will have more women on the field. I am asked frequently when we will open schools for the children. We believe earnest, faithful work here will bring in an abundant harvest. Who will come to help garner the wheat? The men cannot do woman's work in China, because it is not considered proper for men and women to meet together. Oh! that I could express to you sisters at home the joy of telling to those who have never heard the "sweet story of Jesus and His love."

Report by W. E. Sallee.

The two things which have occupied my time and thought since reaching China, about a year ago, are the study of the language and the question of the settlement of the new mission in the interior of China. As to the language, though we have no adequate means of comparison, I dare hope that I have made, at least, average progress. The fact that two of the best months of the year for study had to be given up to travel in seeking to locate the new mission, also the difference in the dialects of this place and Chinkiang, as well as the time that it has been necessary to give to getting settled in the new station have indeed been drawbacks, but not without compensations. Not a day has been lost on account of sickness, for which gracious blessing I wish to give thanks to the Father. I wish also to record my appreciation of the kindness of the mission at Chinkiang, and especially that of Dr. and Mrs. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Lawton, who have furnished all the comforts of a home without any of its cares, and have left me free to give my time more undividedly to study.

The question of the settlement of the new mission has been by no means a light one. From the beginning it was felt by some that it was very unwise to undertake to open new work while our present stations were so inadequately manned. And especially did this appeal almost cause us to despair, as at the close of our "tour of investigation" we became personally acquainted with the needs of our work in South China. However, we believed that the purpose had been planted in our hearts by the Lord of the

harvest; and further, we were strengthened by a few who had been praying for this very advance for many years, and in the face of the great need of the present work advised that the step be taken, and we thank Him who enabled us to believe that He would thrust forth the laborers needed for the work already begun, and also make it possible for us to open another lighthouse in the midst of the "deep darkness." For this reason our joy has been double as we have beheld the going forth of an unusually large number of laborers this fall to the old missions, and still there was room to rejoice over the appointment of Mr. Napier to be with us here,

After much prayer and as careful study as we were able to give to the question, the section of country just north of the centre of Honan province was decided upon. With this in view we started for Kaifeng, the capital of the province, but before reaching there we had decided upon Chengchow as the most favorable place for the first and central station of our new mission. September the 4th, 1904, Mr. Lawton and I walked into Chengchow, settled down in a Chinese inn, and gave thanks to our Father that the question which had been on our hearts for over a year was settled, and for the manifest leading of His Spirit through it all. After a residence here of about four months we are more firmly convinced that the Lord chose the place for us, and that if properly manned and worked, through His blessing it will become a strategic centre.

Chengchow is on the Pehan (Peking-Hankow) railway, about fifteen miles south of the Yellow river, and about forty-five miles west of Kaifeng. This railway is being rapidly pushed to completion. Another railway is to be built from Kaifeng to Honanfu, which will have its junction with the Pehan railway at this place. The railway company have just completed the erection of seven foreign houses, a large station, and a large engine and car shop and yard. There is a manifest boom, which is due to the railway having made this perhaps the most important place on the line between Hankow and Peking, and also the prospect of another railway. Nearly all the land outside the city toward the railway has been bought up by wealthy and enterprising Chinese, who since our arrival here have put up more than fifty places of residence and shops. Practically a new city is growing up. And many shops in the old city which were once vacant have been repaired and opened. The official has told us that within a few months Chengchow will be opened as a port. If this goes through, it will greatly increase the importance of the place as a commercial centre, and, so far as I know, will make it the first "dry land" port in the interior of China.

Chengchow is not a large place, only about 15,000, but it seems destined to grow very rapidly. A few years ago it offered no particular advantages, and this accounts for it not having been occupied. It is in the centre of a large section of country, about one hundred and fifty miles square, in which practically no work has been done and in which no other missionaries live. Within working distance of this centre are hundreds of large towns and thousands of villages which will doubtless never hear the Gospel until we preach it to them, while between this and our two missions in North and Central China, with whom it is our hope to join hands, there are unoccupied cities almost on a direct line

and at convenient distances for centres of work. May the Master speed the day when these cities can be occupied! Forgive me if I have seemed to look too much to the future, but I felt that something of our hopes was necessary to justify our choice of this as the centre for a new work.

Many times during the year as we have sat in enforced silence the words of Jesus, "Mine hour is not yet come," have been in our thoughts, and we have longed for the time when we shall be able to speak of Him, and yet we tremble under the weight of the responsibility of building a temple for Him to dwell in. Pray with us that from the very first the temple may be built after the divine pattern, with Jesus Christ as the chief corner-stone.

STATISTICAL TABLE, SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, FOREIGN MISSIONS, FOR THE YEAR 1904-'05.

COUNTRIES.	MISSIONS.	DATE OF ORGANIZATION.	NUMBER OF CHURCHES.	OUT-STATIONS.	MISSIONARIES.		ORDAINED NATIVES.		UNORDAINED NATIVE HELPERS.		INCREASE.			DIMINUTION.			MEMBERSHIP.	HOUSES OF WORSHIP.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.		DAY-SCHOOLS.		CONTRIBUTORS.*
					Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Death.	Expulsion.	Letter.			Number of Schools.	Number of Scholars.	Number of Schools.	Number of Scholars.	
China.....	South China.....	1845	17	44	12	16	12	40	14	474	109	34	48	94	3,183	52	19	744	32	750	\$ 5,019 83		
	Central China.....	1847	7	11	11	17	11	11	3	74	6	3	6	1	304	8	9	456	8	111	632 80		
	North China.....	1860	10	35	12	16	23	7	11	162	13	4	11	8	930	9	24	1,133	19	519	248 25		
	Interior China.....	1904	1	3	1	1	
	Total.....	.....	34	91	38	50	14	74	24	710	128	48	65	103	4,417	69	52	2,333	59	1,380	\$ 5,900 88	
Africa.....	Total.....	1850	11	7	6	6	3	15	1	355	6	4	7	5	666	14	11	359	7	243	\$ 1,136 29		
Japan.....	Total.....	1889	7	4	7	7	1	6	3	42	1	2	1	1	223	3	10	330	.....	.....	\$ 406 67
Italy.....	Total.....	1870	29	38	3	1	10	.....	.....	121	29	10	16	56	721	5	21	355	2	67	\$ 1,268 51
Mexico.....	North Mexican.....	1880	32	34	6	5	5	5	.....	115	14	9	8	6	1,063	12	26	640	3	176	1,897 13	
	South Mexican.....	1880	12	11	6	8	3	3	.....	22	13	3	10	12	305	6	11	313	2	100	238 18	
	Total.....	.....	44	45	12	13	12	8	.....	137	27	17	18	18	1,369	18	37	953	5	276	\$ 2,135 31
Brazil.....	Pernambuco.....	1889	13	18	2	2	24	4	229	48	27	12	36	24	942	4	12	495	2	60	\$ 3,481 70		
	Amazon Valley.....	1897	7	3	1	1	3	.....	43	8	4	6	53	14	188	3	2	46	.....	.....	1,575 00
	Bahia.....	1882	21	42	4	4	7	11	2	172	14	10	25	16	1,071	9	8	196	2	154	2,893 40		
	Rio Janeiro.....	1884	9	12	4	4	4	.....	207	12	7	11	30	156	603	2	6	320	.....	.....	4,832 19
	Campos.....	1890	11	24	1	1	4	.....	154	6	11	13	57	.....	943	5	6	.....	.....	.....	1,350 00
	Sao Paulo.....	1899	8	11	2	3	7	61	35	6	1	14	14	280	5	109	2	100	917 00	
		Total.....	69	110	14	15	53	6	866	123	50	53	215	224	4,027	23	39	1,166	6	314	\$ 15,289 29	
Argentina.....	Total.....	1903	1	5	4	
Grand Totals.....	194	296	85	96	69	166	34	2,231	314	87	144	322	407	11,423	132	170	5,496	79	2,285	\$ 26,136 55	

* Part of the contributions was given by the missionaries.

By the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board of the

RECEIPTS.

1904.				
May 1—Balance per report to Convention.....				\$ 44,679 81
1905.				
May 1—Alabama	\$ 13,302 20		Less State Expenses.	
Arkansas	4,988 63		\$ 600 00	
District of Columbia	1,839 48		300 00	
Florida	3,696 24		66 66	
Georgia	48,760 53		1,268 36	
Indian Territory	815 36			
Kentucky	25,258 37		600 00	
Louisiana	5,820 99		150 00	
Maryland	5,702 59			
Mississippi	21,161 89		700 00	
Missouri	14,998 81		2,516 12	
North Carolina	20,210 72		1,212 00	
Oklahoma	505 31			
South Carolina	24,573 73			
Tennessee	13,862 17		118 25	
Texas	30,613 07		1,406 67	
Virginia	39,002 64		662 98	
West Virginia	11 00			
California	68 94			
Pennsylvania	6 00			
New York	888 20			
Oregon	4 00			
Illinois	2 90			
Washington	7 50			
Massachusetts	2 60			
Kansas	3 00			
Idaho	14 00			
China	2 00			
Mexico	53 44			
Japan	30 00			
American Baptist Publication Society	100 00			
Sunday School Board.....	1,000 00			
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	572 95			
Southern Baptist Convention.....	56 25			
Isaac Davis Fund (interest).....	273 00			
Maryland Fund (interest).....	70 00			
Mrs. M. E. Hardin Fund (interest)	33 00			
Woman's Missionary Society of the Woman's College (interest).	37 50			
John Smith Fund (interest).....	16 87			
	\$283,415 88	\$ 9,601 04		\$273,814 84
Time loans.....		\$155,300 00		
Call loans.....		10,244 73		
				165,544 73
				\$484,039 38

LIABILITIES.

Call loans brought over from last year.....	\$ 3,001 27		
Call loans obtained this year.....	10,244 73		
			\$ 13,246 00
Less amount paid			10,294 73
Balance due			\$ 2,951 27
Balance brought down	\$ 13,061 92		
Less call loans payable.....	2,951 27		
Net balance	\$ 10,110 65		

JOHN C. WILLIAMS,
Treasurer of Foreign Mission Board, S. B. C.

REPORT

Southern Baptist Convention from May 1, 1904, to May 1, 1905.

DISBURSEMENTS.

1905.			
May 1—	African Mission	\$ 9,279 91	
	China—Southern Mission	\$ 33,895 35	
	Northern Mission	33,246 68	
	Central Mission	32,431 60	
	Interior Mission	887 32	
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		100,460 95	\$109,740 86
	Japan Mission	\$ 24,424 37	
	European Mission	27,830 70	
	Mexican Mission	55,779 08	
	Brazilian Mission	63,365 61	
	Argentina Mission	6,337 17	
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			\$177,736 93

EXPENSES.

Salary of Corresponding Secretary.....	\$ 3,000 00	
“ Assistant Corresponding Sec’y.	2,300 00	
“ Clerks	1,975 75	
“ Field Secretary	786 95	
“ Treasurer	500,00	
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	\$ 8,562 70	
Expenses of mission rooms, postage, extra help, etc.	\$ 1,172 41	
Traveling expenses	750 00	
Printing	1,499 55	
Expenses of Vice-Presidents.....	16 60	
Rent	475 00	
Interest paid (less received on annuity funds)....	2,120 44	
Expenses of applicants	85 65	
Woman’s work	1,600 00	
Christmas offering	305 94	
Southern Baptist Convention	318 45	
Sunday School Day	224 20	
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	\$ 17,130 94	
Elizabeth Flowers Fund—\$800 Virginia Century bonds.....	\$ 774 00	
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Time loans paid	\$155,300 00	
Call loans paid	10,294 73	
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	\$165,594 73	
Balance in Bank of Richmond.....	13,061 92	
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		\$484,039 38

JOHN C. WILLIAMS,
Treasurer Foreign Mission Board, S. B. C.

I have this day carefully examined the account of John C. Williams, Treasurer, commencing May 1, 1904, and ending this day, and I find it correct and sustained by proper vouchers. I find in his hands \$1,000 Atlanta and Charlotte Railway Company’s seven per cent. bond, belonging to the “Maryland Fund;” and \$9,100 Virginia Century bonds belonging to the “Isaac Davis Fund;” and \$1,100 Virginia Century bonds belonging to the “Mrs. M. E. Hardin Fund;” and \$800 Virginia Century bonds belonging to the “Elizabeth Flowers Fund;” and a demand obligation of the Union Bank of Richmond for \$7,500 belonging to the “Annuity Funds,” and there is a balance in the Bank of Richmond of thirteen thousand and sixty-one and ninety-two one-hundredths dollars (\$13,061.92-100).

May 2, 1905.

T. K. SANDS,
Auditor.

APPENDIX B.

SIXTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
HOME MISSION BOARD
TO THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

B. D. GRAY, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

1905

THROUGH the Providence of God and with manifold mercies from our Heavenly Father, the Home Mission Board begs leave to present the Sixtieth Annual Report of its stewardship to the Southern Baptist Convention. Six decades have passed since the organization of the Convention and the beginning of our Annual Reports. In all these years our God has never failed us. He was with our fathers, nor has he forsaken their sons. For his matchless mercy and boundless grace we erect again our Ebenezer. Joy, too, takes the place of sorrow with us because the church that two years ago robbed us of our Secretary, today bids us welcome in their midst.

A YEAR OF ENLARGEMENT.

"Enlargement" has been the key-word of the year's work. Every department has been vibrant with this expanding idea. The Home Board all along has been moved by this aggressive thought, and for two years past the Convention has tingled with noble enthusiasm for larger things, but it was at Nashville that the Convention moved out into the open sea of opportunity. The Convention said to the Home Board: "Through you and by the help of God we shall take this Southland for the Baptists. Go forward!"

It was enough for the Board. It was a clear bugle blast from headquarters. There was no room for halting. It was as if

God himself had said: "Enlarge the place of thy tent and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations." At once the appropriations of the Board were increased nearly fifty per cent over any previous year. In the Cities, among the Foreigners, in the Mountain School Work, in Cuba, and in the Work Among the Negroes, as well as in our Church Building Department, we have made great enlargement.

A YEAR OF BLESSING.

Throughout all the months of the year, news has come of God's favor upon the working forces in the fields. Many souls have been led to Christ and a deepening spirit of consecration to our Lord has been reported from many directions. In Cuba baptisms have been frequent, especially in Havana, and out in the Territories many notable revivals have been enjoyed. Over the plains of Oklahoma the revival wave has rolled with wonderful and gracious power. Weak places have been made strong and aggressive work has followed in the wake of the Spirit-led revival. The spirit of expectancy, so widely manifest in various parts of the world just now, has moved the people of the plains in a marvelous fashion. May it but presage the coming of the Spirit in the fullness of his power upon all our Southern Zion.

Upon the cities likewise God's favor has fallen. Especially in Baltimore and Memphis and New Orleans has our Board done notable service. In response to a great plea for help from Maryland Baptists, the Home Board agreed to give \$15,000 for church building, provided the Baptists of that State would raise \$30,000, and this not to interfere with their regular gifts to denominational benevolence. Stirred by this generous gift and under superb leadership, they have already raised their \$30,000, and thus Maryland will have her greatly needed \$45,000 for church building. Such is the result of a combined effort for a great object. The work of the Board in Memphis this year has put our Baptist cause to the front as never before in that throbbing city, and it will tell on our future destiny for all time to come. In Memphis the Board has spent \$10,000. This puts two struggling churches on their feet with splendid houses of worship admirably located. And the churches have more than duplicated the amount given by the Board.

Down in New Orleans, too, the Board has gone afresh with its helping hand. A splendid lot, in the best location below Canal Street, has been purchased, and our mission has become a church. Nothing but the lack of money has delayed the erection of a neat chapel at a cost of \$5,000 or \$7,500, which is a prime necessity. The best lot on St. Charles Avenue, in the Garden District of the city, has been bought for the First Church at a cost of \$15,000. But for an empty treasury, before now we would have begun the erection of a building to meet the demands of that great field. The whole city has been moved by our aggressive work since our Nashville Convention. We cannot go into further details about the work in other cities like St. Louis, St. Joseph, Kansas City, Joplin, and Galveston.

The 2,000,000 people of the Mountain District are crying for help, and their cry is not altogether unheeded. Our schools have increased in number, the work has improved in quality, and the outlook is full of promise. We have 18 schools, 70 teachers, and nearly 4,000 pupils.

Shortly after the adjournment of the last Convention, the Board, after thoughtful and earnest prayer, elected Rev. A. J. Barton, D.D., as Field Secretary and Superintendent of the Negro Work. Many encouraging things we are able to report concerning that work. We have moved with caution but with vigor in prosecuting this important part of our work. Its problems have been weighed with sober thought, but the work itself has been pushed with ceaseless ardor.

The wisdom of the Board in appointing Dr. Barton to the superintendency has been abundantly justified by the zeal and tact with which he has labored. The Board has had the helpful advice and co-operation of the Commission appointed at the last Convention. The Commission will present a special report to the Convention.

In recounting the favors of God upon our work, we must mention the unusual advance made by Our Home Field. Our brethren and sisters have stood by us nobly in our efforts to increase the circulation. What are the results? We come to Kansas City with more than 22,000 regular subscribers. Surely this must mean a great deal for our future. Will our friends stand by us in our efforts to put the paper into 50,000 homes?

The unprecedented severity of the weather during January and February materially lessened our financial receipts, and the great drop in the price of cotton has also been a serious detriment. Still, under the blessing of God, we are happy to report a substantial increase over the gifts of any previous year.

No just and complete account of all the work done by our faithful missionaries can be put to record and spread before the eye in statistical tables. The least of their labors are those that can be reduced to figures. At the same time, we gladly present the following summary of work and statistical tables:

SUMMARY OF WORK.

Missionaries	718
Weeks of labor	23,219
Churches and stations.....	2,222
Sermons and addresses	88,016
Prayer meetings	13,765
Religious visits	174,751
Baptisms	10,551
Received by letter.....	10,019
Total additions	20,570
Churches constituted	219
Houses of worship built and improved.....	205
Sunday schools organized.....	539
Bibles and Testaments distributed.....	24,354
Tracts distributed (pages).....	2,746,232

STATISTICAL TABLE

STATES	Amount expended by Home Mission Board in this work.	Amount expended by the States in this work.	Number of Missionaries.	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Stations.	Sermons and Addresses.	Prayer Meetings.	Religious Visits.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter	Total Additions.	Churches Constituted.	Houses of Worship Built and Improved.	Sunday Schools Organized.	Bibles and Testaments.	Tracts distributed (pages).
(a) Alabama	\$ 1,583 30	\$ 3,148 00	17	164	16	692	171	2,353	139	531	670	1	3	4	5	10,100
(b) Arkansas	5,300 00	14,900 00	51	1,161	73	5,221	1,117	11,138	1,081	550	1,631	18	23	24	250	26,567
(c) Cuba	20,097 91	*	33	1,039	31	1,432	716	3,588	94	23	117	3	2	11	815	63,398
(c) Florida	5,894 47	14,179 11	43	1,200	499	4,447	1,836	8,340	646	589	1,235	26	21	49	1	1,050
(c) Georgia	800 00	800 00	2	85	5	110	91	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	989	133,229
(e) Indian Territory	5,422 95	5,000 00	92	3,570	295	10,446	2,960	18,442	1,136	1,932	3,068	10	10	7	36	19,300
(a) Kentucky	3,179 25	1,934 00	11	489	37	1,187	442	3,859	114	142	256	1	7	7	687	100,000
(b) Louisiana	10,000 00	4,859 64	38	867	77	2,607	828	3,859	360	344	704	7	3	12	9,235	335,716
(b) Maryland	3,818 29	2,363 78	26	636	43	1,740	717	14,199	230	97	327	3	4	7	90	7,000
(b) Mississippi	2,300 00	3,000 00	10	468	17	1,150	360	2,250	179	213	392	1	7	1	169	---
(b) Missouri	3,881 03	5,675 00	21	709	26	1,858	1,189	8,192	119	183	392	3	3	---	---	---
(d) North Carolina	5,429 00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
(e) Oklahoma	5,846 61	5,250 00	100	2,933	160	9,157	2,897	17,518	1,354	818	2,172	25	15	18	745	61,105
(e) Oklahoma	4,700 00	11,748 33	69	1,570	204	8,451	---	21,377	842	669	1,511	17	45	90	2,865	135,800
(a) Tennessee	6,511 64	79,891 33	201	8,179	728	39,214	366	62,373	4,181	3,909	8,090	117	60	312	8,518	1,833,837
(b) Texas	1,265 87	950 00	4	149	11	304	75	1,087	76	19	95	---	1	3	---	19,130
(b) Virginia	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Totals	---	---	718	23,219	2,222	88,016	13,765	174,751	10,551	10,019	20,570	219	205	539	24,354	2,746,232

* Under the head of "Missionaries" in Cuba is included all teachers as well as other missionary workers.

(a) The amount expended by the Home Board in Alabama, Kentucky and Tennessee includes amounts appropriated to Mountain Schools and to agency expenses as well as for the support of the mission work reported.

(b) The amount expended by the Home Board in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Virginia includes the payment of agency expenses as well as that used in the support of work reported.

(c) Included in the statement for Florida is a general co-operative work as well as that of two women workers at Tampa; also two missionary pastors, one at Tampa among the Cubans, and one at Key West. The four latter being supported exclusively by the Home Board.

(d) The appropriation to North Carolina of \$5,429.00 was used exclusively in support of Mountain Schools and payment of agency expenses.

(e) In Indian Territory and Oklahoma the mission work is done jointly by the Home Mission Society of New York, the respective Territorial Conventions and the Home Mission Board. The Home Mission Society, the different Territorial Conventions, and the Home Mission Board each pay an equal amount for the support of this work.

The Home Mission Board, however, has appointed and maintained two women missionaries who labor among the mining population in Indian Territory, and two women missionaries who labor among the Osage Indians in Oklahoma. In addition to all of this work, the Board has also expended during the year \$2,000 in each of these Territories in Church Building.

WOMAN'S WORK.

God has wonderfully blessed the work of our Woman's Missionary Union during the past year. They will come to the Convention with a report full of thrilling inspiration. Instead of growing weary in well-doing, they have gone forward with fresh courage and consecration. They have nobly helped every cause fostered by the Southern Baptist Convention. In the dissemination of information about our great Home Mission work they have rendered superb assistance. Through the Mission Literature Department, jointly owned by the Home Board and the Sunday School Board, they have gone with tracts and leaflets and circulars into every section of our Southland. And all this printing and distribution of literature has been done without expense to our Board and with an increase of \$122.95 to the capital in hand, bringing its permanent cash fund up to \$993.58, which is greater than the modest sum with which the Department began work.

The cash contributions through the Woman's Missionary Union to Home Missions for the year make the splendid sum of \$30,698.32, an increase over the previous year of \$5,828.62. This does not include their gifts of boxes to frontier missionaries. Our Board, in their recommendations to the Missionary Union for the coming year, have asked that the ladies take full charge of the box work, in the following words: "The boxes given to our poorly-paid frontier missionaries have been a great blessing to them. As our Board does not take account of this work, but has only been the medium of securing these boxes from our women, and as it is difficult to separate in the minds of some the monied gifts to Home Missions and this box work, we would ask that the Woman's Missionary Union assume the box work themselves."

Since the organization of the Woman's Missionary Union, seventeen years ago, they have contributed to Home Missions in cash the magnificent sum of \$286,259.00, and in addition have contributed boxes to our poorly-paid frontier missionaries to the value of \$320,855.00. We thank God for this wonderful record, and most heartily commend the work of the Union to our entire brotherhood.

We herewith submit their Annual Report:

**SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF WOMAN'S MIS-
SIONARY UNION, AUXILIARY TO SOUTHERN
BAPTIST CONVENTION, APRIL 20,
1904, TO APRIL 20, 1905.**

"Blessing and honor and glory and power" be unto Him who hath caused Woman's Missionary Union to see the great opportunities of the Home Mission Board, and who hath directed the work of the past year.

Appreciating that facts are essential to intelligent interest, large quantities of literature received from the Home Board and

additional large supplies issued by Woman's Missionary Union have gladly been distributed. Enlargement of "Our Home Field's" subscription list has been kept in view, and effort made through the W. M. U. Department to make the paper of special value to Societies.

Among the encouragements are enlistment of a much larger number of young people, and growing recognition of need for more women missionaries on home fields. The "Girls" of Virginia, South Carolina, and Missouri are supporting, respectively, Miss Catherine Hansen, Indian Territory; Miss Lura Stump, Oklahoma; Miss Bertha Froehlich, Maryland. Two Associations in Virginia have assumed support of Miss Myrtle Morris, mute missionary to the mutes of Cuba, and the Home Mission Society of Maryland, that of Miss Emily Cottrell, Oklahoma. With the hope of "sowing missionary thoughts" and securing co-operation of Sunday schools for church building in Cuba, a programme on the subject was prepared, and over 7,000 packages of literature sent to Superintendents.

Cash Contributions are \$30,698.32. Observance of a week of prayer in March with offerings for Home Missions was a large factor for increase of contributions. Preparation of literature, etc., for this effort constituted an important part of the year's work. One hundred and nine thousand envelopes were distributed. Boxes valued at \$41,649.23 proved, as in former years, of untold value to frontier missionaries, and to Societies, in starting and promoting interest.

Total W. M. U. Expenses were \$3,662.67, for which a draft of \$1,600 was made on the Home Board. In addition, expenses of special effort in March were met by the Home Board. The Corresponding Secretary W. M. U. receives no salary.

That the Tichenor Memorial of \$20,000 would be completed this year was a cherished hope. Hearty assurances of co-operation were given, and several States aimed for large amounts. Without doubt much of the money has been contributed, though the amount credited is considerably less than was expected, owing to the somewhat discouraging fact that money for special objects when it reaches the Boards is frequently undesignated.

An advance step, opening the way to larger service by Woman's Missionary Union, was purchase of property to be used as a Home for Missionaries' Children (Home and Foreign), made possible by a gift of \$10,000 to W. M. U. by a "Christian Mother." The deed for the property, which is located at Greenville, South Carolina, is now held in trust by the Home and Foreign Boards. The generous donor has given an additional \$500 for electric lighting, and it is expected that W. M. U. will provide for furnishing and support so that the Home may be opened in the near future.

The travels of the Corresponding Secretary have been more extensive than ever before; at the same time, the work has been so planned as to accomplish more at the Mission Rooms. Pressing invitations to visit different States have been accepted as indications of divine direction, and there has been great cause

for thanksgiving through noting a growing interest everywhere in Woman's Missionary Union work. We trust this may bear fruit next year in larger contributions to Home Missions.

Summary of Year's Work.

Places visited and revisited	99
Days of travel	145
Miles traveled	16,848
Addresses made	223
Meetings attended	273
Letters and manuscripts	21,502
Leaflets, pamphlets, etc., distributed	382,113
Collection envelopes	236,799
Mission Topic Cards	24,550
Mite barrels	6,792

Respectfully submitted, ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,
Corresponding Secretary, W. M. U.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF CASH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETIES AND BANDS.

Alabama	\$ 3,210 28
Arkansas	433 16
District of Columbia	60 00
Florida	1,253 83
Georgia	3,816 36
Indian Territory	156 11
Kentucky	2,013 08
Louisiana	1,520 55
Maryland	1,377 44
Mississippi	760 85
Missouri	893 40
North Carolina	2,466 86
Oklahoma	83 02
South Carolina	3,726 41
Tennessee	1,744 69
Texas	1,476 26
Virginia	5,706 02
Total	<u>\$30,698 32</u>

ELLA V. RICKER,
Treasurer W. M. U.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT.

BALTIMORE, MD., April 20, 1905.

Miss Ella V. Ricker, Treasurer, in account with Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention:

1904.	DR.	
April 20.	To balance, per Annual Report.....	\$ 98 02
May	To cash from Home Board	600 00
May	To cash from Foreign Board	600 00
Aug. 8.	To cash from Sunday School Board.	100 00
Oct. 24.	To cash from Foreign Board	500 00
Oct. 25.	To cash from Home Board	500 00
Oct. 31.	To cash from Sunday School Board.	100 00
1905.		
Jan. 7.	To cash from Sunday School Board.	100 00
Feb. 22.	To cash from Foreign Board	500 00
Feb. 25.	To cash from Home Board	500 00
April 1.	To cash from Sunday School Board.	100 00
		\$3,698 02
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	By Clerks and typewriting	\$1,071 04
	By Traveling expenses of Cor. Secretary.....	648 53
	By Printing	580 89
	By Express and postage	525 47
	By Rent and janitor	425 39
	By Stationery	153 08
	By Typewriters and repairs	138 46
	By Mite barrels	69 81
	By Expenses of Annual Meeting	50 00
	By Balance	35 35
		\$3,698 02

Boxes Sent to Home Missionaries by Woman's Mission Societies,
 Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention.
 1904-1905.

State.	Number of Boxes.	Value of Boxes.
Alabama	41	\$ 3,743 48
Arkansas	12	933 26
District of Columbia	5	312 23
Florida	9	480 06
Georgia	72	5,398 90
Kentucky	63	4,645 82
Louisiana	12	1,222 30
Maryland	19	3,407 62
Maryland (Mountain Schools) ..	.. .....	256 00
Maryland (German Work)....	.. .....	160 68
Mississippi	24	2,905 24
Missouri	33	1,755 30
North Carolina	71	4,671 57
South Carolina	20	1,422 13
Tennessee	52	4,054 78
Texas	19	1,567 00
Virginia	63	4,712 86
Total	515	\$41,649 23

Home Missionaries Aided by Boxes of Clothing, Etc., Sent by
Woman's Mission Societies, Auxiliary to Southern
Baptist Convention, 1904-1905.

State.	Number of Boxes.	Value of Boxes.
Arkansas	2	\$ 105 22
Florida	49	3,559 71
Indian Territory	194	17,135 31
Louisiana	24	1,661 86
Oklahoma	62	5,095 18
Tennessee	7	989 79
Texas	177	12,685 48

German Work.

Maryland	160 68
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Mountain Schools.

North Carolina	256 00
Total	515
	\$41,649 23

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSION LITERATURE
DEPARTMENT, SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVEN-
TION, APRIL 20, 1904, TO APRIL 20, 1905.

The fourth annual report of the Mission Literature Department, S. B. C., or the nineteenth annual report of the Maryland Baptist Mission Rooms, is hereby presented. The year has been a fruitful one, large quantities of literature having been sold with an increase to the capital of \$122.95. The work is no expense to the denomination for room rent or services. It is maintained to supply churches, societies and individual workers with suitable leaflet literature on S. B. C. and all other fields, at a small cost. It does not dispense free literature. The effort is more general in its scope than the free literature of the Boards. For nineteen years among its publications it has been issuing the monthly missionary literature, or twelve leaflets each year on the work of the Convention Boards, thus putting into circulation a vast amount of information regarding S. B. C. work. A new catalogue has just been issued with a well-selected and classified list of over 400 leaflets. Orders come from all over the United States and Canada, and it is accorded to the Literature Department, S. B. C., to have a more varied supply of leaflets than can be found elsewhere. It had been intended to start missionary circulating libraries the past year, but great pressure of other work has prevented.

The statistical report for the year, April, 1904-1905, is as follows:

history the most potent factor in the development of that unity among Southern Baptists which has furnished the foundation of our strength and so largely conditions our future success. By this wise, unifying policy we have achieved a solidarity of denominational life that puts us at the very front of all religious forces in the South, and yet so free, voluntary, and democratic is this co-operative agency that local autonomy is preserved in every department of our work.

Our relations with the various State Boards with whom we do co-operative work are the most cordial and the growing importance of this work is becoming yearly more manifest. Especially is this true as to the great West, the Cities, the Mines, and the Foreigners. In sections of the older States, too, where development is so rapid and the change in conditions is so remarkable, there is a constantly increasing sentiment favorable to this co-operative work. Our Board does not take the initiative, but is ready to co-operate with the State Boards in any work wherein by uniting our forces we can accomplish more good than by working separately. Our cause is one, and we have failed in loyalty to our Master whenever, from narrowness or prejudice, we allow anything to hinder the progress of His kingdom. It does not change the character of the work that it is done by the Home Board, or by a State Board, or by the two jointly. It is a matter of method, and we should remember that methods are multiform and variable.

Our Board is conscientiously striving to follow the instructions of the Convention with regard to this co-operative feature of the work and is ready at any time to receive additional instructions pertaining thereto.

PUBLICATIONS.

The Denominational Papers.—We have reason again for grateful recognition of the valuable aid rendered to the cause of Home Missions by the denominational papers. Our editors are steadily becoming more insistent in their championship of the great work of missions. Their columns are more and more being filled with missionary intelligence. With most of these papers missions is not thrust to one side or advocated with indifference. In addition to constant editorial endorsement, many of the papers have regular Mission Departments, and instead of considering this feature as one merely to be tolerated they have learned that a bright, fresh, soulful mission page is to many of their readers the most attractive feature of the paper. Most of the papers receive and print with pleasure all the home mission matter we send them, and quite a number of them have special mission editions during the year.

The hearty support of this mighty agency, thus enlisted in the grand enterprise of evangelizing our homeland, is something for which we are profoundly grateful to God and sincerely thankful to our editorial brethren.

Tracts and Leaflets.—During the year we have added materially to our assortment of tracts and leaflets. We have planned for still further increasing our supply of helpful literature, both

in quantity and in quality. All tracts and leaflets prepared by our Board can be had without cost on application to the office.

It will be remembered that the Home Board and the Sunday School Board jointly own the "Mission Literature Department of the Southern Baptist Convention" and through this agency are doing a great work in disseminating missionary information. The Woman's Missionary Union at Baltimore are managing this department for the two Boards, and by most excellent business methods are making it self-supporting, as a reasonable charge is made for the literature sent direct from the Literature Department at Baltimore. The variety and excellence of the literature thus furnished on all phases of mission work reflect great credit upon the sisters who render this service and are a source of gratification to our Board. It would be difficult to overestimate the power of these printed evangelists of truth as they are widely and wisely sent on their helpful mission. The art of using this agency successfully is one to be coveted by every lover of missions.

Envelopes.—Two very neat envelopes are printed by the Board, one for use in securing subscriptions to Our Home Field and the other for contributions to home missions. Individuals, pastors, and churches have found them very helpful. Sent free on application to our office.

Our Home Field.—In addition to the use of tracts and leaflets and the denominational papers, we have found Our Home Field a desideratum. It furnishes fresh news from the field, keeps our constituency in closest touch with the work and workers, and mightily helps to make home missions a living reality. In our last report mention was made of the increased size of the paper and its growing circulation. We then had about 10,000 regular subscribers. We come to this Convention with more than 22,000, an increase of 1,000 each month or more than a hundred per cent during the year. But for the very bad weather during the winter and spring we should doubtless have gone beyond 25,000. A similar proportionate increase for the coming year will give us a bona fide circulation of 40,000. From many expressions of our readers we are encouraged to believe the excellency of our paper is keeping pace with the circulation.

Many have urged us to increase the price to twenty-five cents, but in spite of the fact that ten cents is barely sufficient to pay for the printing merely, we have kept the subscription price at ten cents in order that we might speedily secure a great circulation. With 40,000 or 50,000 regular subscribers we could reasonably count on 150,000 readers. What a mighty agency for good the paper would then become!

The paper is by all odds the cheapest agency we can have. The postage on tracts and leaflets, in proportion to weight, is eight times as much as for our paper. Moreover, if we reckon the transportation of the Secretary secured by advertisements with the railroads, the paper is almost self-supporting and ought to become entirely so when we reach our 40,000 or 50,000.

With profound gratitude for the help of our friends in the past we ask their continued assistance in the widespread circulation of our literature.

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND.

A house of worship is for a church what a home is for a family—a necessity. Even while they were a moving multitude, journeying through the wilderness, the Tabernacle was a necessity for the Israelites. The Tabernacle gave way to the Temple, in which centered the religion and patriotism of the Hebrews. A migratory people are a weak people and, religiously speaking, we cannot become strong and powerful in any country without houses of worship. No department of our work stands in greater immediate need than our Church Building and Loan Department. In our cities, and in many rural districts, our cause is well-nigh paralyzed for the lack of suitable houses.

This is particularly true in the Western section of our territory—Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Indian Territory. We are rendering timely help by our gifts to weak churches in their efforts to erect houses of worship. By a small loan, with low interest and for reasonable time, we have helped many a struggling church into self-support and aggressive work. We could easily do ten times the good we are now accomplishing if we had the money. As was stated in our report last year, we need a great loan fund of not less than \$500,000, the interest on which could be spent in gifts to needy and promising fields, and the principal loaned to those self-sacrificing churches, yet too weak to build adequately to meet the demands of their communities, but wise enough to see the necessity for present sacrifice in order to future success.

Our good women, through the Missionary Union, are striving to complete the Tichenor Memorial of \$20,000. They have not yet reached the goal of their ambition, but we hope the fund will be completed during the present year. It is extremely desirable that all funds contributed for this worthy object should be so designated when remittances are made, that due credit may be given.

VICE PRESIDENTS.

The position of Vice President on any of our Boards is one of responsibility. If its obligations are met, the position will call for all the spare time at the command of a busy pastor or layman.

We are pleased to report that the Vice Presidents of the Home Board are rendering most valuable service. They disseminate much literature in the form of tracts, leaflets, and papers, and are greatly helpful in our effort to increase the circulation of Our Home Field. They attend associational and missionary meetings, enlist the help of pastors, write for the denominational papers, and in various ways keep the work of our Board on the hearts of the people. We feel sure that the past year has been the most fruitful in our history so far as the work of our Vice Presidents is concerned. Plans for more efficient service in the future are being matured.

CHANGES IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD.

Death invaded our ranks a year ago and removed from membership on the Board the saintly and beloved Henry McDonald, whose place was filled by the election of Rev. N. B. O'Kelly. Bro. O'Kelly rendered most faithful service, but during the year, having accepted a call to Arkansas, tendered his resignation. Dr. J. K. Pace was elected to fill the vacancy, and is rendering most efficient service.

FINANCES.

Receipts.—The total amount of cash received for the work of the Board from all States last year was \$127,850.56, and from miscellaneous sources \$5,707.44. Our receipts from all the States this year have been \$137,578.37, and from legacies and other miscellaneous receipts \$8,126.94, a gain of \$12,147.31.

OUR MISSION FIELDS.**Missions West of the Mississippi.**

The Territories.—Our co-operative work continues to meet with success in the territories. The past year has been one of hard work for mission work in Oklahoma, but it has been one of great success to our cause. We have had under appointment for a part or all the time one general missionary, twelve district missionaries, 81 missionary pastors, 2 evangelists, one missionary among the Osages, and one native helper. They have performed 2,892½ weeks of labor, supplied 159 churches and stations, delivered 9,148 sermons and addresses, attending 2,841 prayer meetings, made 16,986 religious visits, received by baptism 1,354 members, and 818 by letter. Twenty-five new churches have been constituted, 15 houses of worship have been erected at a cost of \$19,000, 23 new fields have been occupied, 11 churches have become self-supporting, 18 Sunday schools have been organized, 735 Bibles and 56,105 pages of tracts distributed.

In addition to the above our Board has been employing two women missionaries among the Osage Indians, being the first of any Protestant denomination to enter that work. The needs as well as the opportunities in Oklahoma are great. More than 200 churches are without houses of worship. At least 50 desire help to begin the erection of buildings. At the present time they need \$4,000, which would be greatly helpful. The tide of immigration still moves with immense and increasing volume into this great territory.

Indian Territory.—The work is increasing from every point of view. Immigration from all sections of the country is flowing likewise into Indian Territory. Many foreigners occupy the mining district, changes are going forward with wonderful rapidity, and opportunities were never greater for large endeavor on the part of Baptists. During the year just closed in Indian Territory, we are able to report that notwithstanding unfavorable conditions, incident largely to the unusually severe weather, the labors of our missionaries have been abundantly blessed.

Both Oklahoma and Indian Territory have largely increased the proportion which they are making to the support of mission work under the co-operative plan. They formerly paid one dollar for every nine dollars paid by the Home Mission Board and the Home Mission Society of New York, but during the current year they have paid one-third of the entire amount expended on that field jointly by the Territorial Board, the Home Mission Board, and the Home Mission Society. Ninety-two missionaries have been employed during the year. They performed an aggregate of 3,750 weeks of labor, supplied 295 churches and stations, delivered 14,446 sermons and addresses, conducted 2,960 prayer meetings, baptized 1,136 candidates, and received into membership of their churches a total number of 3,068.

The Baptists of the two territories are now conferring with reference to the consolidation of their two bodies in one great Convention next September in Oklahoma City. The Statehood talk has received a new impetus by the recent visit of President Roosevelt to the territories, and this action of the Baptists but anticipates Statehood. When the great territories become the State of Oklahoma we shall have an important commonwealth of about 70,000 square miles, a large portion of which is as fertile as the Panhandle of Texas, and much of it well-nigh as rich in mineral deposits as the Birmingham district. Baptists are now splendidly in the lead of all denominations and are growing at a wonderful rate. Nowhere in the whole range of missionary endeavor are results more immediate and permanent than with the work in that great and coming section of our country.

Arkansas.—The co-operative work of our Board with the State Board of Arkansas has been greatly blessed of God during the past year. Arkansas is in a state of ferment and development in all material resources. Our Baptist forces are assuming a more aggressive attitude in missionary work. Their last Convention, both regarding missions and education, was distinctly the greatest meeting of their history. Division still exists among Arkansas Baptists as to methods of work, but the work of the State Convention goes steadily forward under the wise and splendid leadership of their Secretary, Rev. J. F. Love. The assistance rendered by our Home Board is most highly appreciated and is sorely needed. In the years to come it will return a bountiful harvest with interest compounded.

Missouri.—We are doing co-operative work in Missouri with the State Mission Board. We are likewise doing a joint work in the city of St. Louis with the State Board, the City Mission Board, and the Home Mission Society of New York. This united plan gives promise of far-reaching results in the great city of the Louisiana Purchase.

During the year we have entirely supported a missionary, Rev. M. M. Smith, in Joplin, a city of great possibilities and of sore destitution. Brother Smith's work has been greatly blessed of God. We likewise employ an evangelist, Rev. W. A. Lipphardt, among the Germans; are assisting the Swedes and Germans in Kansas City, and rendering assistance in St. Joseph. Missouri is a great and important commonwealth full of Baptists whose possibilities for usefulness are immense. It is crowded with foreigners, the Germans particularly being strong

in numbers. God is smiling upon the work of all our laborers in this goodly State.

Louisiana.—The Baptists of Louisiana, in co-operation with our Board, are making wonderful progress. The missionary spirit is rising steadily and rapidly. We are still a feeble folk, but the future is full of promise. Great sections of the State lie in almost total darkness so far as religion is concerned. They speak a foreign language; they have been dominated by Romanism and idolatry abounds in their midst. Large sections of southern Louisiana are almost entirely dominated by the French Catholics. The immigrants are pouring into the State from the north and northeast. The rice fields are supplanting the sugar plantations as a source of wealth, and southwestern Louisiana, once a howling waste, is destined very soon to be one of the richest sections of the South. The destitution in Louisiana is greatest in New Orleans, where we have fewer than a thousand members in the white Baptist Churches, in a city of 300,000 people. New Orleans is growing with wonderful rapidity. It will receive greater impetus from the building of the Panama Canal than will any other city of the United States. We must go to New Orleans with additional force and money. The Board has largely increased its contributions in New Orleans in the support of missionaries and the purchase of building lots for our churches. We have secured the best lot in the city, on St. Charles Avenue, for the First Church, and an admirable location below Canal Street for Grace Church, which is the outgrowth of our mission. Now is the golden opportunity for Southern Baptists in New Orleans.

Texas.—Monthly instead of annual reports are necessary to record the condition of things in Texas. Our Board and the State Board of Texas are in most happy accord in our co-operative work. Texas stands ready to receive what we are able to give, but at the same time glad to deny herself of our help if it can be more wisely expended in other fields; but where on earth is there a more inviting and wonderful mission field than Texas?

Our Board expected to begin work in El Paso among the Mexicans a year ago. We have been time and again disappointed in our efforts to secure a suitable man for that great and necessitous field. Hundreds of thousands of Mexicans inhabit the Rio Grande Valley from El Paso to its mouth, and a strong work at El Paso would greatly influence the Mexican population in old Mexico across the river, as well as in New Mexico and Arizona.

Mrs. Dora Teakell has been continued as missionary in Galveston, and her work is most highly commended by Dr. J. B. Gambrell and Dr. W. M. Harris, formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church of that city. It has been said time and again that we could wisely spend all the resources of our Board in helping Texas alone. Fifty years ago our Board began work in that great domain, and the records of missionary achievements will be searched in vain for a parallel to the work achieved in Texas during the last half century. From nothing the white Baptists have increased by leaps and bounds until today they are a mighty host numbering some 225,000.

Immigration is increasing from every direction into Texas. Galveston, in export grain and cotton trade, has surpassed all records, and it is destined to become one of our great cities,

Over the broad bosom of the Mexican Gulf a tide of immigration will set in as forbidding in aspect and effects as the terrible storm which arose out of the dark waters of the sea and submerged that city five years ago. Then through every gateway on the northern border, thousands upon thousands will pour into Texas to fill the cities and overrun the plains. It is the day of peril and promise alike for Baptists. May we arise in the strength of God and measure up to the supreme opportunity.

Work of Rev. M. P. Hunt, Field Secretary, Southern Baptist Convention, for the Western Territory.

Another year's experience, in the judgment of the Home Board, amply demonstrates the wisdom of the Convention in the appointment of a Field Secretary for the Western Territory. It would be impossible correctly to calculate the loss sustained by our Convention by the delay in this appointment. Instead of two, we should have had twenty years of such service as has been rendered by our Western representative. The field is so vast in extent, so bewildering in growth, so exacting in demands, and so fruitful in results, that we need three men instead of one. Brother Hunt has rendered faithful and efficient service. He has labored in season and out of season. At Conventions, in Board meetings, with the churches and in personal contact with people of the Territories, where his time chiefly has been spent, his contagious enthusiasm and noble service have brought large and permanent results to our Baptist cause in that great and growing section of the country. We present herewith a brief summary of his work:

DR. B. D. GRAY, Atlanta, Ga.:

My Dear Brother: I herewith submit a brief report of my work as Field Secretary for the territory west of the Mississippi. Let it be borne in mind that I represent, jointly, the three Boards of the Convention. However, from the very nature of the situation, the work of the Home Board has demanded a large part of my time and energies. This, however, in the end will prove to be the best service I could have rendered the Foreign Board.

The year has been one of intense activity. Much time has been spent on the field, and the miles traveled aggregate more than 50,000, and yet the vast territory has hardly been touched and not a tithe of the open doors for service have I been able to enter.

The superintendence of our rapidly-growing work in the two Territories, where we have, as one of the co-operating bodies, more than one hundred missionaries, has made large demands upon my time, in the answering of which I have gained a working knowledge of that part of my field and of the conditions there prevailing. Much as the co-operating bodies are doing and great as has been God's favor upon the work, there is still much destitution. In fact, the rapid development along material lines in these territories calls for hard work to keep the destitution from growing. For instance, for every new town we enter, two more spring up calling loudly for help; while for the fifteen

new meetinghouses built in Oklahoma last year, twenty-five churches without houses were organized.

Secretary Stalcup says that unless we enlarge our work we shall not be able in five years to reach the destitution now existing in Indian Territory, to say nothing of the needs that will develop. The large increase in the offerings to Home Missions from these Territories speaks for itself.

Our co-operative work among the Indians, while encountering difficulties, is being blessed of God. The allotment of the lands and the breaking up of the old camp life in many instances, together with the work of the white man grafter, to be found on every hand, are some of the difficulties. Rev. J. B. Rounds, because of the difficulties just noted, something more than a year ago resigned as the missionary to the Choctaws and Chickasaws. A few months later he made application to the Richmond Board to be sent out as Foreign Missionary. While this matter was pending, our Territorial Board met, and after prayer and counsel, felt led to ask Brother Rounds, because of his fitness and efficiency, to again accept this work. Seeing in this unexpected call the hand of Providence, he again entered the service of the Co-operating Bodies as their missionary to the Choctaws and Chickasaws. Of these two tribes there are some 30,000, and among them we have twenty-six churches and twenty-two meetinghouses and twenty-four native preachers. Brother Rounds significantly says, "Nearly all of them are good men and a few of them are good preachers."

Rev. G. Lee Phelps, of Wetumpka, is our efficient white missionary among the Creek and Seminole Indians. He reports the work in a prosperous condition with some fifty churches, 3,000 members, and more than one hundred native preachers, of whom many are very efficient.

The Osages, of whom there are several thousand, have long been neglected, or, what is practically equivalent, left alone to the Catholics. Last fall the Co-operative Bodies employed Rev. C. W. Burnett to labor among them, and he is very hopeful as to the work. At the same time our Board initiated a distinctive work for them, in the sending of two lady missionaries to work among them — Miss Lura Stump, of West Virginia, and Miss Emily Cottrell, of Virginia. They have their headquarters at Pawhuska, the Osage capital, and report this work as full of promise, and doubtless in due time it will need to be enlarged.

The work of Home Missions, with its marvelous opportunities and tremendous responsibilities in the territory west of the Mississippi, has mightily grown upon me since I have studied the situation. In the four States and two Territories west of the Mississippi, we have an area of territory as large as that of the ten States of the Convention on the east, with 75,000 square miles to spare. Already, too, the tide of immigration is to these four States and two Territories. A few more years and they will have a population surpassing the ten States on the east. With the opening of the Panama Canal, yea, and before, for already a line of immigrant steamers is operating between Bremen, Germany, and Galveston, Texas, this fair land is going to be flooded with foreigners. Now is our day of opportunity. The Home Board ought to, at once, enlarge its work in Louisiana,

Arkansas, Texas, and Missouri. Never in the history of Southern Baptists was there such an opportunity, and never did they face such a responsibility.

Without the foreign population problem, the destitution in Louisiana and Arkansas is already great, and the duty of Baptists to at once occupy every unoccupied center — and there are many of them — is imperative.

The best way, and the quickest, for Southern Baptists to have a large part in the saving of the world is to be found in the thorough evangelizing of our own territory.

With all the power at my command and with an earnestness born out of touch with the real situation and a vision of what will be in the speedy coming years, I have at all times tried mightily to lay this work upon the hearts of God's people. My prayer is that the Convention may see its opportunity and rise to the occasion.

Respectfully and fraternally,

M. P. HUNT.

Missions East of the Mississippi River.

The great body of our co-operative work with State Boards is west of the Mississippi River. We are, however, doing work of one kind or another in all the States east of the river.

Maryland.—In Maryland a great advance has been made during the past few months towards church building. Under a great plea for help presented by the Maryland brethren to our Board we agreed to give \$15,000 to church building on condition that the Baptists of that State would contribute \$30,000. Our brethren of Maryland responded gloriously and have already secured their \$30,000, our Board having paid \$5,000 of our appropriation. This action on the part of the Board has been hailed with joy by the brethren of that State.

On account of ill health, Miss Sophia Ferber was forced to retire in the fall from her co-operative work with Miss Marie Buhlmaier in the city of Baltimore. Very soon thereafter the Board was fortunate in securing as her successor Miss Bertha Froehlich. There has been quite an increase in the number of joint missionaries employed by our Home Board and the Maryland Board. The Board's work for the year in Maryland has produced most gratifying results.

Virginia.—We continue likewise our co-operative work in Virginia, and Secretary Wm. Ellyson reports the work in most satisfactory condition. At the request of the Virginia brethren we have continued our work also for the negroes of that State under the advice and co-operation of the State Board of Virginia.

The destitution in large sections of the mountain district of the Old Dominion is very great, and with the influx of foreigners into Norfolk and other cities, there will be still greater destitution.

North Carolina.—Except the amount given to negro work our Board spends all of its funds given to North Carolina in the mountain school work, and the favor of God has rested graciously and abundantly upon our schools. Rev. A. E. Brown, formerly Assistant Secretary of the North Carolina State Board, was

called to the Superintendency of our entire mountain school system, and his work has in every way justified his appointment by the Board.

South Carolina.—The last South Carolina Baptist Convention requested our Board to take charge of the mountain school work in that State. We have adopted the school at Tigerville and are carefully studying the whole situation with a view of meeting the demands as rapidly as possible.

We have rendered help to churches in the erection of houses of worship on the recommendation of the State Board of South Carolina, and the urgent request of many brethren in that State—namely, to Mon-Aetna at Union, and the Second Church at Columbia. The Church Building Fund ought to be greatly increased that we might, by gifts and loans, help many churches in similar condition, not only in South Carolina, but in all the States.

Georgia.—Our expenditures in Georgia have been confined mainly to agency expenses and help to two schools. The schools report a good year's work. Georgia is standing nobly by our work, though receiving so little from our Board. For years the Board made liberal donations to Georgia, as the records of our Convention abundantly testify. What a great harvest is now being reaped from that early sowing!

Florida.—Florida is one of the weakest States, but Florida is coming to a new life. Possibly no State in the South, relatively speaking, is making greater material advancement than Florida. From the gateway at Jacksonville around the Keys to Tampa and on to Pensacola, the coastwise country is pulsing with new life. Their last Convention was the greatest in their history, and in percentage of increase in gifts to our Board, and we suppose to the Foreign Board, she surpasses almost every other State. Our co-operative work is nowhere appreciated more than in Florida, for it is known that our Board has saved the Baptist cause at Pensacola, at Tampa, at Jacksonville, and scores of smaller places.

We are doing an independent work at Tampa among the Cubans and should begin work at once among the 3,000 Italians in Ybor City, Tampa. Rev. G. Harvey Clark, Miss Adalee Branham, and Miss Edith Nash are our workers.

In Key West, wherè the Baptist cause has languished for a number of years, Rev. M. A. Clonts is pastor, supported by our Home Board, at the request of the Florida Board. The outlook is better than for years. Key West is destined to be of vastly greater importance in the immediate future on account of its strategic location. There are about 7,000 whites, as many negroes, and a like number of Cubans and Spaniards. It is a difficult field, but one that we must take.

Florida will become a great Baptist State if we are wise to seize our opportunities.

Alabama.—Our Board renders assistance to the Scottsboro School and has given help to several churches. Our co-operative work, while small in Alabama, is satisfactory and most highly appreciated by the brethren of that State. We are supporting Rev. Karl Arry, pastor at Silver Hill, Baldwin County, Ala., of a Swedish church. He is a man of God,) as a church small in

numbers but devout and consecrated. This colony of Swedes is but a sample of what we are soon to have dotted all over our Southern country. The foreigner is here at our doors. If the Board had sufficient funds it could enter the mining district with great profit to our cause. No State in the South is to be compared with Alabama in the extent of its mining interests. In all this section the foreigners abound.

Mississippi.—The co-operative work in Mississippi is regarded as essential to the progress of our cause in many weak places of that State. Through all the years we have rendered substantial assistance to Mississippi. The State in turn is sending into our treasury larger gifts than ever before. Like all the Southern States, Mississippi is awakening with new life in the industrial and commercial world. She has fewer foreigners than any other Southern state, but the tide of immigration has started from the North and from across the waters of the Gulf and old conditions have changed and a new order of things is at hand. The building of new railroads, the opening up of new towns, the beginning of new settlements, all these things call for redoubled energy on the part of Baptists if we are to hold our own and meet the demands of the hour.

Tennessee.—We have increased our mountain school work in Tennessee very materially during the year. We are now helping the schools at Doyle, Andersonville, and Butler. Our report mentions elsewhere the \$10,000 spent in Memphis and the admirable results achieved by this investment. Besides the work just mentioned, we do co-operative work with the State Board. Secretary Golden is a hearty enthusiast for this co-operative work.

Kentucky.—Our work in Kentucky is chiefly in the mountain district. We have helped in the building of a house of worship at Ashland, have assisted in the support of the schools at Hazard, Oneida, Barbourville, Williamsburg, and Morehead. Rightly supported in our work in the mountains of Kentucky, in a decade of such service we can work marvels.

That country belongs essentially to Baptists, and if we seize our opportunities it will in turn become a source of great power, not only in Kentucky, but throughout the world. We are likewise helping in work among the negroes in Kentucky. The heartiest sympathy and comity exist between our Board and the State Board. We are grateful to God for his favor upon our work in the Blue Grass State.

MOUNTAIN MISSIONS AND SCHOOLS.

In this department of our work we are committed to the task of reaching and developing the 2,000,000 sturdy Anglo-Saxons who inhabit the great Mountain Region of the South. Baptists vastly outnumber the combined forces of all other denominations—a fact significant alike of the opportunity and responsibility with which Southern Baptists are confronted. Steady and rapid enlargement has marked the recent history of our Mountain work. In view of the enlargement and for the sake of direct and thorough supervision of the work, the Board prayerfully sought

for a man specially qualified for this field. We believe we have been led of God in the selection of Rev. A. E. Brown, of Asheville, N. C., who began his labors July 1, 1904, having already served for five years as Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board in North Carolina. He has brought to his task ripe experience, extensive knowledge, and approved success.

He is a man of God and a tireless worker, with a holy mission to his mountain people, and upon the foundations there being laid by our Board through his labors, we shall build in the coming years, in the cultured men and women we train for God, a Christian civilization that shall receive the approval of heaven and become a benediction to mankind.

During the year our work has been enlarged in Tennessee and Kentucky, and the South Carolina Convention has invited us to take charge of the mountain school work of that State.

The time of our Superintendent has been spent in traveling throughout the Mountain section, getting in touch with the Mountain people of the different States, locating strategic points for additional schools, addressing Associations, Conventions, and churches, and assisting in raising funds in various communities for the removal of debts, the erection of buildings, and the enlargement of school facilities. The magnitude and needs of the work are appalling, but its possibilities are unlimited. He finds the mountain people awakening to their own conditions and ready to co-operate in our efforts to help them. He has had the sympathy and encouragement of our Baptist leaders in the work during the year.

We come to the close of the year's work with eighteen schools directly connected with our system, having an enrollment of about 4,000 pupils and employing seventy-nine teachers. Besides this, the Board is assisting two schools in Georgia and one in Alabama, which are under the supervision of their respective State Boards. The spiritual interests of the pupils are looked after with all diligence. In some schools every unsaved student has been brought to Christ during the year. Throughout all the sections occupied by these schools, their religious influence has been felt in a marked degree. The homes and churches, too, have felt the quickening life that has pulsated from these Mountain Schools. We present herewith a list of the Schools:

North Carolina Schools.

Mars Hill — R. L. Moore, Principal. Located in Madison County, eighteen miles from Asheville. Has two small brick buildings with a third in course of construction. A Girls' Dormitory of twenty rooms, which is to be enlarged during the summer by the addition of twenty more rooms. Employs six teachers, enrolled 310 students. Estimated value of property when additions are completed, \$14,000.00. This is the school of the French Broad and New Found Associations. Also a portion of the Buncombe Association is tributary to this school.

Fruitland Institute — W. F. Powell, Principal. Located in Henderson County, seven miles from Hendersonville. Has an

eight-room building and Girl's Dormitory containing fifteen rooms, upon which there is a debt of \$500, and it is only partially furnished. The school employs four teachers and enrolls 173 students. Value of property, \$7,000.00. The territory of this school is the Carolina Association and a part of the Buncombe Association.

Haywood Institute—Rev. L. B. White, Principal. Located at Clyde, in Haywood County. Has a five-room brick building and a Girls' Dormitory of forty rooms, partially furnished, on which there is a debt of \$1,100.00. Employs five teachers and enrolls 215 students. Value of property, \$8,000.00. The territory of this school is the Haywood Association, also a part of the Buncombe Association.

Sylva Institute—C. E. Filkins, Principal. Located at Sylva, Jackson County. Has a five-room brick building and Girls' Dormitory of thirteen rooms. Employs four teachers and enrolls 185 pupils. Its territory is the Tuckaseegee and Tennessee River Associations. Value of property, \$6,000.00, on which there is a debt of about \$350.00.

Yancey Institute—E. L. Hawkins, Principal. Located in Burnsville, county seat of Yancey County. Has a five-room pebble-dashed building, an eighteen-room dormitory, and ten cottages of two rooms each, owned by a stock company for the school and subject to the control of the faculty and trustees. Employs five teachers, 286 students. Value of property, \$8,000.00. Territory, Yancey Association.

Bowman Academy—Z. V. Ray, Principal. Located in Bakersville, county seat of Mitchell County. Has twelve-room building, five of which are unfinished. Employs two teachers and enrolls 130 pupils. Value of property, \$3,000.00. Territory, Mitchell Association.

Bellevue Academy—F. A. Brown, Principal. Located ten miles from Murphy, in Cherokee County. Has three-room building and dormitory for girls, unfinished, but being used. Employs three teachers and enrolls 128 students.

Round Hill Academy—Rev. D. J. Hunt, Principal. Located at Union Mills, Rutherford County. Has a five-room building and an eighteen-room dormitory for girls. A boys' dormitory, owned by private individuals, is at our disposal. Employs four teachers, enrolls 192 pupils. Value of property, \$5,000.00. Territory, Green River Association.

Murphy Institute—Rev. B. D. Thames, Principal. Located at Murphy, county seat of Cherokee County. Building contains twelve rooms. School opened its first session in October, with five teachers, and enrolled 132 pupils. Value of property, \$4,000.00. Territory, Western North Carolina Association.

Tennessee Schools.

Andersonville Institute—O. W. Anderton, Principal. Located at Andersonville, in Anderson County, ten miles from Clinton. Has small school building, a twelve-room dormitory for boys, and an eight-room dormitory for girls. Four teachers employed;

—— pupils enrolled. Value of property, \$5,000.00. Territory, Clinton and Northern Associations.

Doyle Institute—Rev. W. W. Baker, Principal. Located at Doyle, in White County. Has five-room building. Employs four teachers, enrolls 152 pupils. Property worth \$4,500.00.

Watauga Academy—I. B. Sanders, Principal. Located at Butler, in Johnson County. Employs four teachers, enrolls 213 pupils. Has brick building of four rooms, valued at \$3,000.00. Territory, Watauga Association.

Kentucky Schools.

Williamsburg Institute—E. E. Wood, Principal. Located at Williamsburg, in Whitley County, in Southwestern Mountain section. Has large brick school building and dormitory for boys. This is by far the best equipped school in the whole mountain region, and its influence is far-reaching. The faculty is composed of — teachers, the enrollment for the past session was 512. Value of property, \$——.

Barboursville Institute—R. E. Warren, Principal. Located at Barboursville, Knox County, in the southern part of the mountain region of the State. Has a five-room building on a large lot in the heart of the town. Employs six teachers and enrolls —— pupils. Value of property, \$7,500. Territory, North Concord Association.

Oneida Institute—Rev. J. A. Burns, Principal. Located at Oneida, Clay County. Has large, well-planned school building, known as Marvin Hall. Also newly built dormitory for girls. The faculty is composed of six teachers; enrolled 325 pupils. Value of property, \$15,000.

Hazard Institute—Rev. A. S. Petree, Principal. Located at Hazard, county seat of Perry County, in the heart of the mountain regions, thirty-five miles from a railroad. Building contains five rooms. The faculty composed of four teachers, and the enrollment 265. Value of property, \$5,000.

Salyersville Institute—Located at Salyersville, Magoffin County. This school was opened in January with Miss Ruth Ellison as principal teacher, assisted by two other young ladies. They enrolled 125 pupils. Property has been purchased and suitable buildings will be erected by the opening of the fall term.

Bracken Academy—S. J. Sparks, Principal. Located at Morehead, Rowan County, in the northern portion of the mountain section of this State. Building contains five rooms on a three-acre plot of ground. Employed two teachers and enrolled 188 pupils. Value of property, \$3,000. Territory, Bracken Association.

South Carolina Schools.

North Greenville High School—L. A. Jones, Principal. Located at Tigersville, in the northern part of Greenville County. Has small, three-room school building and a boys' dormitory of twenty rooms. Employs four teachers, enrolls —— pupils. Value of property, \$3,000. Territory, North Greenville Association.

WORK ACCOMPLISHED DURING THE YEAR.

Kentucky.

At Oneida: Rev. J. A. Burns has, by his untiring efforts, secured the erection of a boarding hall for girls at a cost of \$8,000.

At Barboursville: One thousand dollars has been collected and paid on the debt, and subscriptions nearly sufficient to cover the remainder of the debt secured.

At Salyersville: A new school has been established and five acres of ground on which stands a six-room cottage have been purchased, and funds are being gathered with which to erect suitable buildings during the summer. The people at Salyersville have agreed to contribute \$2,000 of the necessary funds to erect these buildings with the understanding that our Board contributes \$4,000.

At Hazard: Additional ground has been contracted for on which it is expected to erect another building during the summer. This lot is the crown of a beautiful hill overlooking the town and valley. The building to be erected on it will perhaps be used for the school work, and the present building converted into a girls' dormitory.

At Morehead: We have arranged to pay off a debt of \$1,675 on the Bracken Academy at this place, and plans are being made for additional buildings, the property to be turned over to our Board in fee simple.

Tennessee.

We have established at Butler the Watauga Academy, and raised for the payment of the school building \$2,000. The remaining sum necessary to pay for the building will be raised shortly.

At Doyle: A debt of some \$800, which has been hanging over the property, has been cleared off during the year.

North Carolina.

At Sylva: A boarding hall for girls has been built during the year, and some school furniture purchased.

At Murphy: A new school was established and a large private residence and five acres of ground were purchased during the year, the people of Murphy contributing one-half the cost. Materials have been purchased for the erection of another building during the summer, which will be used for school work, and the present building will be converted into a girls' dormitory.

At Mars Hill: The foundation of the fourth building was laid, and almost sufficient funds are in sight to complete it during the summer. Also \$4,000 has been raised to enlarge the Spillman Home for Girls. One-half this sum was contributed by a friend from the North.

At Round Hill: A dormitory for girls has been built during the year, and the school building painted and otherwise improved.

At Bakersville: We have paid a \$300 note against the Bowman Academy, and have about sufficient funds in hand to wipe out all indebtedness.

NEEDS.

While much has been done, much more still remains to be done. Some of our school buildings are unfinished and all are poorly furnished, if furnished at all. And where we have boarding halls, they also are unfinished and poorly furnished, and yet the students come and are glad to come and put up with these inconveniences. The number of students is limited by our ability to accommodate them. The cry from every school is for enlargement as well as for equipment. Brother Brown says that two things have been demonstrated: First, that the mountain boys and girls will go to school; second, that Baptists can educate them at from one-half to one-fourth the cost to other denominations.

Boarding halls run on a co-operative plan, where the pupils do the work, open the doors of these schools to hundreds of poor boys and girls who would otherwise be shut out. This is especially true of the girls. These boarding halls also give us the opportunity of training the girls in domestic duties, a thing very much needed. We should also look forward to the undertaking of the industrial work for the boys.

This mountain region is overwhelmingly Baptist. The country is in our possession now, but others are contesting for it. They are pouring into it their wealth with lavish hand, that they may develop and control our boys and girls. These boys and girls will not always be poor and illiterate, but whether, when educated, they remain Baptists, depends on whether Baptists furnish the means for their education. Let us seize our golden opportunity.

WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

It seems proper at this juncture in our work for the Negroes that your Board should call the attention of the Convention to some facts of the past, which show the attitude and spirit of the Convention towards this work, and indicate somewhat the work done by the Convention for our brother in black. A study of the Convention minutes and the reports of the Board reveals the fact that through all the years of its history, the Southern Baptist Convention has entertained the most loving Christian concern for the Negro and has done work for his evangelization and development.

A Backward Look.

In the first annual report of the Board, submitted to the Convention at Richmond, Va., in 1846, this statement appears:

"Add to this matter the wants of our colored population. Although vast numbers of them enjoy religious advantages far superior to multitudes of our poor white citizens, yet greater

numbers are in condition to require the special attention of this body. It is gratifying to see the increased interest on this subject in our churches. The time is not far distant when a wise and prudent plan for the religious improvement of that class of our population will be generally approved and adopted."

Three years later, speaking on this subject, the Board said: "This class of our community is generally exciting much interest among the churches. Its importance claims more attention than it receives. The missionaries of the Board are instructed to devote a portion of their time and service to the spiritual welfare of this population within their influence as far as practicable. Two are appointed especially to them." Again, in the same report it is said that nearly 130,000 Negroes then belonged to Baptist Churches, and it was presumed that as many more were connected with other denominations.

In 1851 the Board says: "This department of our labor is increasing in interest every year. The missionaries of the Board hold special services for the benefit of the slaves, and all bear favorable testimony to the happy influence of the gospel upon the hearts and lives of that people."

Thus the record runs each year, until the war came and practically destroyed the work of the Convention for a period. Notwithstanding all that the South had suffered concerning the Negro in that trying day, the South still loved the Negro and the Negro loved the South, and when the work of the Convention was resumed, this was one of the first departments of work taken up by your Home Mission Board.

In 1866 the report says: "A large number of intelligent and pious missionaries have been employed to preach to the freedmen of the South. The colored people prefer white missionaries to those of their own color. This is owing in no small degree to the fact that white ministers are better qualified to instruct them, and this is what they need—good, sound, theological instruction. These people are greatly improving, and show signs of advancement."

In 1868 the following appears: "A large amount of earnest and faithful labor has been spent upon these missions during the year. No class of our people seem more anxious for the bread of life than the freedmen of the South. Thirty churches have been constituted by our missionaries, twenty-four meeting houses commenced, eleven finished, and mostly for the benefit of these people. Six hundred and eleven have been baptized and many converted through the labors of the missionaries, but baptized by others whom they were assisting." These extracts containing the best thought and pulsing with the heart throbs of Fuller, Broadus, Jeter, Boyce, Manly, and other like giants of those early days, are a heritage that Southern Baptists cannot and will not despise.

During the more recent years, the Board has annually urged upon the Convention the growing importance of this work, and has reported good results accomplished, and the Convention has as frequently approved the work of the Board and its recommendations looking to still larger things.

In 1882 the Board reported as follows: "No part of our work requires greater wisdom or more large liberality than the work

among the colored people. In conjunction with the State Board of Georgia we have appointed Brother W. H. McIntosh to labor in that State among this class of our population as a theological instructor. Though he has been in the field only about three months, he has found abundant reasons for encouragement. More than a hundred preachers and deacons have attended his lectures and given most unmistakable evidence of their interest in his work and their appreciation of it. Overtures for similar arrangements with other State Boards have been made, and we hope during the next year greatly to increase this department of our work. We are most deeply impressed with the importance of this field, and we rejoice to see the difficulties which have surrounded it on every side giving way, while many of our most thoughtful people are feeling that we have too long neglected our full duty to a race whose claims upon us we cannot ignore. The \$15,000 the Board asks for this mission is far too small to meet all its needs, and we have reduced our request to this insufficient sum only because we fear the liberality of our churches is not prepared to go beyond it."

The above section of the Board's report was heartily approved by the Convention, which adopted the report of the Committee on Colored People submitted by its Chairman, Dr. Wm. E. Hatcher. From this report of the committee read by Dr. Hatcher and adopted by the Convention, we quote as follows: "We cheerfully approve the plans of the Home Mission Board in the prosecution of their labors among the colored people, and most heartily recommend that the amount asked for in their report be granted."

In 1886 the Board says: "For the first time in the history of this Convention more than twenty colored preachers are enrolled among its missionaries." This the Convention cheerfully and heartily approved.

This character of quotation and citation might be extended to any limit, but we need not extend the list further. If there is any subject on which your Convention has committed itself thoroughly and repeatedly, it has done so in regard to its purpose to reach out a helping hand to the Negro. In our present enlarged plans for work to this end, we are coming into our rightful heritage, coming into the possession of our own. We are reaping, and are still to reap, a glorious golden harvest from the seeds sown by the hand, watered by the tears, and quickened by the prayers of the worthies who have gone before us.

Present Plan.

We are pleased to report that our present work among the Negroes has made good progress through the year, and is now full of promise. It seems proper that we should refresh the minds of the brethren by repeating here the plan, which we presented to the Convention at its last session, for enlarged co-operation between us and the National Baptist Convention, and also that we should rehearse the action of the Convention on the same by repeating the report of the Committee, to which the plan was referred. As is said in our last Annual Report, this

plan is the result of a whole year's painstaking study, and careful deliberation and conference. It is as follows:

(1) "The National Baptist Convention to be recognized as the representative Negro Baptist organization in the South.

(2) "The plan and spirit of this co-operation must be understood by both parties as not in conflict with all proper comity towards the American Baptist Home Mission Society of New York, whose great field in the work of education among the Negroes in the South is hereby gratefully recognized.

(3) "The Home Mission Board on its part is to have its own Field Secretary or Superintendent to represent the Home Mission Board's interest in the work, and before the white Baptists of the South, and to promote Southern sympathy, and support, in behalf of the work and workers in the field.

(4) "This plan of co-operation is to have no limit of time for its continuance, and is to take in two bodies—to wit: The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention.

(5) "The adjustment of co-operation to the existing situations and conditions among the Negroes in different States shall be left to the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention.

(6) "This plan proposes an organization of the work, which will touch four cardinal points of opportunity and need among the Negroes of the South: (a) The Negro Baptist State Convention—as the point of coherency in the organization of Negro Baptists in each State; (b) the Negro Baptist District Association—with an Executive Committee of Negro Baptists in each; (c) the Negro Missionary Conference for local communities for the purpose of Bible and missionary study; (d) the local Negro Baptist Church—it is proposed to secure the Christian interest and assistance of local white pastors.

(7) "To the end that a great forward movement of the Southern Baptist Convention in the discharge of its missionary and Christian obligation to the Negroes of the South shall be made, and the great cause of Negro self-reliance and progress may be secured, it is proposed that the Home Mission Board will, for the year beginning May 15, 1904, appropriate dollar for dollar, or one-half the amount necessary to execute these propositions up to the amount of \$15,000 the first year, from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention."

The above plan was referred to a committee of one from each State as follows: A. C. Davidson, Alabama; H. A. Sumrell, Kentucky; J. F. Love, Arkansas; C. C. Meador, District of Columbia; L. B. Warren, Florida; T. P. Bell, Georgia; E. O. Ware, Louisiana; A. G. Washburn, Ind. Ter.; C. L. Laws, Maryland; W. F. Yarbrough, Mississippi; R. K. Maiden, Missouri; J. W. Baily, North Carolina; A. P. Stone, Oklahoma; A. J. S. Thomas, South Carolina; G. W. Truett, Texas; Lloyd T. Wilson, Tennessee; B. C. Henning, Virginia. This committee reported as follows, and its report was unanimously adopted by the Convention:

"Your Committee, to whom was referred the work of the Home Mission Board among the Negroes, and to whom was referred also the memorial from Virginia and North Carolina, with reference to the appointment of a Commission, etc. beg leave to submit the following report:

"Recommend (1) that the Home Mission Board's proposed plan of work be approved, with the understanding that in the States in which there are Baptist Negro bodies other than the National Baptist Convention the work shall be conducted in co-operation with the white Baptist State Boards, and such Negro Baptist bodies as those Boards shall approve.

"Recommend (2) that a Commission of one brother from each State and Territory in this Convention be appointed by the Convention to meet with the Home Mission Board, and counsel with the Board in enlarging and perfecting our plans for discharging our Christian obligations to the Negro race, with a view to meeting the conditions in all parts of our territory.

"Recommend (3) that the details of this meeting, or meetings, be arranged by the Home Board."

Election of Field Secretary.

Your Board went forward immediately after the Convention to carry out the instructions of the Convention given to them in the adoption of the foregoing report. As is indicated elsewhere, the Board elected at its first meeting, Rev. A. J. Barton, D.D., of Little Rock, Arkansas, as Field Secretary, specifying that his duties would be: First, to superintend the organization and conduct of the work among the Negroes; and second, to visit our white churches, Associations, and Conventions, in co-operation with the Corresponding Secretary, to present the claims of our Home Mission work in all its phases, thus supplementing the work of the Corresponding Secretary in behalf of all features of Home Missions. Brother Barton accepted the duties of the office, and entered upon his work June 1, 1904. As is indicated in his Annual Report to the Board, he has devoted his entire time since that date to pursuing the two lines of work assigned him.

The Meeting of the Commission and Its Action.

In harmony with the wishes of the Convention expressed in the report of the Committee, which report provided for the appointment of a Commission, and that the Commission should meet with the Board, at such time and place as the Board might indicate, to counsel with the Board looking to enlarging and perfecting the plan of work, a call was issued through the Corresponding Secretary for a meeting of the Commission to be held in Atlanta, September 8, 1904. The following members of the Commission were present at the meeting:

L. O. Dawson, Alabama; L. B. Warren, Florida; J. K. Pace, Georgia; J. S. Dill, Kentucky; C. L. Laws, Maryland; W. F. Yarbrough, Mississippi; G. W. Hyde, Missouri; E. O. Ware, Louisiana; C. J. Thompson, North Carolina; Z. T. Cody, South Carolina; A. U. Boone, Tennessee; and C. C. Coleman, District of Columbia.

Your Board put itself, its records and files at the disposal of the Commission. Two lengthy sessions were held by the Board and Commission jointly, after which the Commission held two sessions separately, and finally another joint session was had by

the two bodies. The Commission at that time gave to the public press the following:

**A Statement from the Commission on the Work among
the Negroes.**

“The Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention on the Work among the Negroes held a meeting at the call of the Home Mission Board in Atlanta, Ga., on September 8 and 9. While the Commission does not feel that it is its duty to make a report at this time to the denomination at large, it does feel that it is desirable to make the following statement:

I. In the prosecution of its work up to the present date the Commission finds the following facts:

1. The Home Mission Board in its Negro work is acting under instructions from the Convention, and is carefully following those instructions both in the plan it is pursuing and in the employment of a Field Secretary to superintend the work.

2. The scrupulous care and supervision exercised by the Home Board over its appropriations to the Negro work is very apparent. It is so wisely done that no offense need be taken by the Negroes, and no anxiety felt by the Southern Baptist Convention.

3. The Home Mission Board has careful regard for local conditions, and in certain States, such as Virginia and North Carolina, is following the instructions of the Southern Baptist Convention in adjusting the policy of the Negro work in agreement with their State Mission Boards. It is a part of the fixed general policy of the Board to co-operate with the State Board wherever such co-operation is desired.

II. Such help as this Commission has been able to give the Board as to the various matters involved has been rendered by a very free and frank consultation with the Board. That it may be of yet greater service, each member of the Commission is charged with the duty of making diligent inquiry into all facts touching the Negroes' general condition throughout the South.

The Commission is hereby called to meet in Kansas City, Mo., on the day before the Southern Baptist Convention, to prepare its report, in which all facts in its possession shall be laid before the Convention, with as clear and comprehensive a statement of our obligations as Christians and Baptists to the colored race of the South as it is possible for the Commission to make.

C. C. COLEMAN,
Secretary.

L. O. DAWSON,
Chairman.”

The Commission will doubtless present to this session of your body a full report of its own, setting forth the labors performed and conclusions reached.

Action of the National Baptist Convention.

When the National Baptist Convention met in its annual session at Austin, Texas, last September, this plan of co-operation, as it had been agreed upon by the two Boards, and adopted by your Body, was presented to that Convention by Secretary R.

H. Boyd in the Annual Report of their Home Mission Board. Upon the matter the National Convention acted as follows:

First, that section of the report, upon the request of Secretary Boyd and upon the motion of Dr. S. E. Smith of Kentucky, was referred to a committee of one from each State. Later, Dr. E. C. Morris, President of the National Convention, introduced the following resolutions, which the Convention adopted:

"In view of the fact that the matter of co-operation with our white Baptist brethren is one which will affect the entire Negro Baptist family in the United States; and,

"Whereas, The unity of the Negro Baptists is a paramount issue with us; and,

"Whereas, There is a difference of opinion among us touching the amended plans of co-operation with our Southern Baptist brethren; and,

"Whereas, This Convention knows no North, no South, no East, no West, in its religious work; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the committee appointed on the matter of co-operation be given ample time to deliberate upon the matter of plans of co-operation, and that said committee report at the next meeting of the National Baptist Convention.

"Resolved, That the present amended plans of co-operation between the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention continue in force until the report of the special committee, appointed by this Convention, except that we ask that the word 'South' be dropped from the amended plans.

"Resolved, That these plans in no way affect existing plans of co-operation."

Following this Dr. A. R. Griggs, of Texas, presented the following resolution, which was also adopted by the Convention:

"Whereas, This body has appointed a committee consisting of one from each State to consider the amended plans of co-operation; and,

"Whereas, The Committee has been authorized to take one year to study and consider the question; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the said committee be styled as a Commission, and that the General Secretaries shall be members of this Commission, and that the President be authorized to appoint five other brethren from the country at large."

This Commission of our Negro brethren appointed a committee of five to draft for them a report to be presented to the Commission for revision and adoption, and, by the Commission, presented to the Convention at its next annual session, which is to be held in Chicago next September. This Commission held its final meeting prior to the approaching Chicago Convention at Montgomery, Ala., February 24, 1905. At this meeting they agreed upon their report for the Convention. It is as follows:

"After a thorough and careful consideration of the great question of co-operation in missionary work, your Committee has reached the conclusion that the Home Mission Board of our Convention acted within the authority vested in it by the Constitution in the arrangement of the plan of missionary work with the Southern Baptist Convention, which plan under the circumstances should result in a closer and more cordial relation

between the white and colored Baptists of the South. This Committee, however, favors the co-operation of all general Baptist organizations, North and South, through our Home Mission Board in missionary and evangelical work among the Negroes in the entire country, upon a fair and equitable basis, so as to reach the masses of our people in all sections. We are also opposed to any plan of co-operation which is exclusive in its character, or would prohibit the National Baptist Convention from co-operating with similar Baptist bodies upon the same conditions and under the same circumstances. We also favor the acceptance of donations for special and designated work in missionary efforts. In the adoption of co-operating missionary plans for the future, we recommend the following as a basis: First, that plans of co-operation be so arranged as to recognize the Home Mission Board of the National Convention as the proper agency through which to do home mission work. Secondly, that in case of co-operation between the National Baptist Convention and any given State, the Home Mission Board shall work in harmony with State Conventions, General Associations, or their respective Boards, in any plan that may hereafter be agreed upon. Thirdly, that the nature of the work performed under these plans of co-operation shall include, not only evangelism, but the dissemination of Bible knowledge, the development of Christian character and the general uplift of the masses by means of lectures and institute work and Bible conferences. Fourthly, that the plan of co-operation heretofore in operation between the National organizations of our white brethren and local organizations among ourselves, is, we fear, not the safest and surest for general harmony and the widest good of the denomination, and we recommend that all State and District Conventions, and Associations among Negro Baptists, shall be requested to recognize the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention as the proper medium through which to secure co-operation with National organizations in local home mission work."

The above report will be presented by the Negro Commission to the National Convention at its next session, to be held in Chicago September, 1905, and, presumably, will be adopted by that body. It is the opinion of your Board that the provisions of this report make it possible for the work already auspiciously inaugurated to move forward in enlarging scope, and with increasing fruitfulness.

Work Accomplished.

It was not found practicable to appoint additional missionaries and send them into the field until after the action of the National Convention as given above. Leading up to the session of that body, however, the time was given to a study of conditions in every part of the field, and to preparing the way for large and fruitful work so soon as our Negro brethren had given their approval to the plan. Immediately after the action of their Convention active steps were taken looking to the appointment of missionaries. Your Board already had in the field six missionaries—four men and two women, employed under the plan of

direct co-operation between the National Convention and ourselves, which had been effective for some years. Since the meeting of the National Convention, we have appointed thirteen others, all men, who entered upon their duties January 1, 1905. Thus it will be seen we now have under this plan of co-operation nineteen missionaries. According to the terms of co-operation, your Board shares in their salaries equally with the Negroes. In obedience to the instructions of the Convention, we have co-operated with the Negroes in Virginia and North Carolina through the white State Boards, these two States being the ones in which there is a general Negro body other than the National Baptist Convention. In Virginia we have shared in the support of four missionaries. In North Carolina we have shared in the support of three missionaries.

In the State of Alabama we have done special work by the employment of Rev. W. H. McAlpine, as theological instructor. In Missouri we have shared in the support of one missionary. In Maryland we have shared in the support of one or two missionary pastors through the white State Board.

Thus it will be seen that your Board has shared in the support of twenty-eight Negro missionaries, aside from the slight assistance rendered in Maryland. The reports of these missionaries have been received and are on file. They indicate that the missionaries have done faithful and fruitful service.

Supervision of the Work.

It has been the constant purpose of your Board to give ample and thorough supervision to this department of the work, and to see to it, so far as possible, that every dollar spent in it should be a wise and judicious investment that would bring good returns in the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ. The Field Secretary visits the Negro State Conventions and the National Convention, thus acquiring a personal acquaintance with, and knowledge of, the Negro ministry. The appointment of the missionaries is made after the following manner: (1) They are first selected and appointed by the Home Mission Board of the National Convention and its Secretary in co-operation with the Negro bodies in the several States; (2) that Board then makes application to us for help in the support of each missionary, requesting our approval of the appointment. This application comes to your Board upon a blank prepared by us for that purpose, and conveys to us strong assurances that the proposed appointee is, in the judgment of that Board and Secretary, a man in every way worthy of the position, both as to personal character and as to ministerial ability; (3) upon receipt of each application, our Field Secretary addresses a letter to the proposed appointee, asking him such personal questions as would, if the answers be favorable, give us added assurance concerning his fitness. In this letter he is asked to give the names of four brethren, two white and two colored, with whom we may correspond for further information; (4) upon receipt of the reply from the proposed appointee containing the names of the references, the Field Secretary addresses to the references a confidential letter asking for their candid judgment and estimate of

the brother in question; (5) upon receipt of replies from the references, the whole correspondence is communicated to the Board by the Field Secretary, with his recommendations based upon the correspondence, and upon such personal knowledge as he may have been able to obtain; (6) with the matter thus fully put before it, the Board acts, approving or disapproving as in its judgment seems wise.

The missionaries, when once appointed, make to us through the Field Secretary, full and complete reports of their work at the close of each quarter, using for this purpose blanks with which we supply them. Thus it will be seen that we have guarded the matter at every point in every possible way, and are giving to the work the most careful and businesslike supervision of which we are capable.

Obligation and Opportunity.

In concluding this section of its report, your Board could not too strongly urge upon the Convention the growing importance of this large and fruitful field of labor. It is our deliberate judgment that Southern Baptists owe a debt to the Negro that they owe to no other race. Besides this, the morals of our sons and the safety of our daughters are involved; indeed, the very warp and woof of our Southern life is seriously affected by the conditions obtaining among the Negroes. Moreover, there is everything to encourage us in the work. In this field of labor we have several quite distinct advantages. The Negro character is naturally religious; the Negro is impressionable and responsive to the gospel; the Negroes know our language, and we know theirs; we are familiar with their customs and they are with ours; they have many schools and colleges, in addition to the public schools furnished them through the taxation of our citizens, and are coming to have a good, well-trained, native ministry, through which our benevolent contributions may become easily effective in uplifting the race; as we go forth to labor among them we have the support of the Christian community in this land of ours, where, as we believe, Christian life may be found in its highest and best forms of development. These things, all, ought to fill us with a sense of responsibility and stir our hearts with new enthusiasm and zeal, as we labor for the coming of the Kingdom of Christ in all its fullness and power among this people living at our doors, so largely ignorant and in need of our help, and yet possessing such large possibilities of development for the glory of our God.

CITIES AND FOREIGNERS.

No subject created greater interest at our last Convention than that of the Cities. Its discussion emphasized a most serious phase of our work. The problem of the city is emphatically one of the great problems of the present age; and while the South, in comparison with other sections of our country, is measurably free from the more serious phases of the city peril, every consideration of prudence and forethought de-

mands immediate and aggressive action on the part of Southern Baptists. The religious problem in many of our cities is already a serious one with Baptists. We have too long been content to see other denominations, with not a tithe of our strength, gain the ascendancy in the cities. Neglecting these great and mighty forces of the cities, in many places, we have lost them almost irrevocably.

Through the work of the Home Board, more than any other one agency, Southern Baptists have entered these centers of power. In every Capital of the South, save one, and in nearly every city of the South, our Board has gone with its helping hand, in some instances to begin the work, in others to strengthen the work already begun. In other days the glory and strength of our people were in the country. Now the tide is toward the city, and there we must go if we would conserve our strength.

We have done notable service in Memphis, having spent \$10,000 in that city. We are persuaded that no money has been more wisely spent. The Memphis brethren, through Dr. T. S. Potts, in expressing their gratitude for the help rendered by our Board, have written as follows:

"1. The donations given by the Home Board to Memphis have encouraged and enabled our weak and poorly located churches to secure suitable and valuable locations for permanent work.

"2. Inspired life, hope, determination among the members.

"3. Given to the Baptist cause and name a higher standing—greater respect and admiration in the minds of the people generally.

"4. Deeply and wonderfully quickened our sense of love, loyalty and duty to the great work represented by the Home Board.

"5. Has enabled us to do now, what was absolutely necessary to the progress and prosperity of the Baptist cause in Memphis, which could not have been done at all without the aid given us. It has also given us such a taste and enthusiasm for church extension that we have a missionary for all his time, and have bought another fine lot—on our own account—and will have a house on it this summer. In short, it has enabled us to put a new face on Baptist affairs in the city of Memphis, for which we devoutly thank God and the Home Board. Fraternaly,

"THOMAS S. POTTS."

In New Orleans, as is stated elsewhere, we have secured the most desirable lot in the city for the First Church and also purchased a very eligible site below Canal Street for the use of our mission, recently organized into a church.

Enlarged work has been undertaken in St. Louis, a missionary employed in Joplin, and our work in Baltimore has been put forward as never before.

We have not here the time to speak of our work in Galveston, Jacksonville, and other cities, but all the resources of our Board could be wisely spent in the cities above mentioned.

The Immigrant Pier is the point of peril to our country. The foreigner is coming in increasing numbers. Nearly a million last year, the immigration threatens to pass the million mark this

year. It is said 10,000 landed at Castle Garden in one day, April 21, brought by seven Trans-Atlantic liners. Of these 2,141 were Italians, 1,350 Irish, 2,878 German, and the rest of various nationalities, chiefly Scandinavian and Slavonic, with many Hungarian and Russian Polish Jews, fleeing from the impending massacres.

Heretofore the immigration has been to our Northern States, but many influences are on foot to turn this stream of foreigners Southward. South Carolina has established immigrant headquarters in New York City to induce immigration into the Palmetto State. While we write this report, the Italian Ambassador at Washington is visiting Mississippi and other Southern States to make arrangements for the coming of thousands of Italians through the port of New Orleans, and the German-Lloyd Steamship Company has started a line of steamers between Bremen and Galveston. Thus the tide is turning Southward. Moreover, the people of the North are turning from their rigorous climate towards our milder latitude. Colonies of them are being formed in various sections of the South. They come with strange ideas and customs. All this immigration will most seriously affect our civilization. One of the highest tests ever put upon Southern Baptists will come with this tide of immigration. Shall we assimilate them or shall they dominate us? We must meet them with the gospel of Christ.

CUBA.

New Missionaries.

Announcement was made at our Convention one year ago that Rev. C. C. Carroll was to sail immediately for Cuba. Brother Carroll was soon on the field, with headquarters at Havana, was rapidly gaining command of the language and a knowledge of the conditions of the work when, through excessive application, and largely because of the season of the year, his health broke down. Greatly to our regret he has not been able to return, being advised by his physician that he could not live with safety in that climate. This was a great disappointment to Brother Carroll and to our Board, but we yielded to what seemed to be the providence of God. Rev. M. N. McCall has since been secured to take the place made vacant by Brother Carroll's resignation. Brother McCall and his family arrived in Havana about the middle of February. He is gaining a knowledge of the language with great rapidity, and is making a fine impression on the residents, American as well as native. He has charge of the English-speaking congregation, to whom he preaches Sunday mornings, instructs in the Bible and Theology a number of young licentiates, and assists Brother Daniel in superintending the work in Havana and adjoining towns. Brother Daniel has resigned the pastorate of the Calvary Baptist Church, and Brother McCall has been elected his successor in order that Brother Daniel may give himself more to evangelistic work and the opening up of new missions.

Miss Myrtle Morris, a graduate of the Institute for Deaf Mutes, Cave Spring, Ga., a deaf mute, a woman of rare intelligence

and consecration, has been sent to labor among the deaf mutes of Havana. She is the first missionary sent by any Board on a mission of this sort to the island, and, so far as we know, to any other land. Her work appeals very strongly to the sympathies of the people in Havana, and through her we expect not only to help the poor deaf mutes, but also to reach the unfortunate ones of this class among the wealthy and influential. In this way the gospel will have an open door that would otherwise be shut to our missionaries.

Cuba Baptist Convention.

During the visit of the Corresponding Secretary to the island, messengers from the churches in co-operation with our Board met in Havana and organized the Baptist Convention of the Four Occidental Provinces of Cuba. Every church except one was represented by a messenger, and that one by letter. The spirit of the meeting was excellent. Rev. C. D. Daniel was elected President, and Rev. J. V. Cova, Secretary. They adjourned to meet at Matanzas in the spring of 1906. This organization will be instrumental in bringing closer sympathy and securing more effective work among our churches in Cuba.

Churches and Mission Stations.

The Secretary, taking advantage of the proposed organization of the Convention at Havana, convened the various workers in conference in that city, and thus saved the time and expense of visiting personally all the mission stations. We herewith present a brief summary of our work:

Pinar del Rio—Rev. G. Gardenas, Pastor. One church and one mission station in the city, a number of candidates are awaiting baptism. The spiritual condition of the church is good; the day school is doing well. Our Board has just purchased an eligible lot. We need a neat chapel to cost \$3,000. Our women of the South have been contributing to that during the past year. Several mission stations should be established in the country adjacent to Pinar del Rio; one at the American settlement, Haradura, some miles toward Havana on the railroad. We need an American worker in the province, which is growing in importance.

Matanzas—Rev. J. V. Cova, Pastor. One church and one mission station. Our Board has recently purchased a most valuable lot; a church building, costing some \$5,000 or \$7,500, is greatly needed. The church is in a hopeful condition, spiritual interest good. Miss Pura Cova, daughter of the pastor, is a consecrated worker supported by our Board. Several places ought to be occupied adjacent to Matanzas.

Sagua le Grande—Rev. Y. E. Barredo, Pastor. One church. Our Board has recently purchased a most valuable lot in the center of the city. The church will raise \$1,000 this year for the church building. We ought to have a chapel to cost between \$2,500 and \$4,000. A number of towns adjacent will be occupied soon.

Santa Clara—Rev. A. U. Cabrera, Pastor. One church, two mission stations. Brother Cabrera is temporarily at Havana for

his health, his place being supplied by Bro. E. Calejo. Greatly need house of worship. Rents are costly; day school suspended in order to give more attention to evangelistic work.

Ranchuello—Rev. J. R. O'Halloran has resigned. The pastorate is temporarily supplied by Rev. A. U. Cabrera. A building greatly needed at Ranchuello. Two thousand dollars would meet the demand on this line at present.

Cienfuegos—Rev. M. M. Calejo, Pastor. Cienfuegos, next to Havana, is the largest city on the island. One church and four mission stations. A lot and chapel greatly needed; property rapidly rising in value.

Trinidad—Rev. P. J. Franqui has recently resigned at Cienfuegos and opened work at this important town, some thirty miles southeast of Cienfuegos and a few miles from the southern coast of Cuba, with 12,000 or 14,000 inhabitants; healthy place, morals of people good; outlook fine for successful work.

Colon—Rev. F. J. Paez, Pastor. Brother Paez was ordained at Havana recently, during the visit of the Secretary to the island. He is a man of intelligence and consecration. Colon has one church and one mission station. Two thousand dollars or \$2,500 would procure us a very suitable property; rents high.

Santo Domingo—Manuel Diaz, Missionary. He will also occupy Lajas, Cruces, and Palmiras as mission stations.

Evangelist Primo Navarro will evangelize in the towns of Camarones, Esperanza, Arrieta, Ciego Montero, Caonao, Guaos, Jicotea, La Siera, Cumanayagua, Manicaragua, Caimanera, and Rodas.

Guanabacoa—Supplied from Havana. An important town, some five miles across the bay from Havana, of 15,000 people.

Havana—Calvary Church, Rev. M. N. McCall, Pastor. Some two years ago the Calvary Baptist Church was organized with five Cuban members and a few Americans. The latter soon after the organization of the church returned to the United States. The church now has more than 100 Cuban members, the Sunday night congregation ranging from 100 to 250. The American congregation Sunday mornings number from twenty to fifty. Preaching service in English in the morning and Spanish at night. We have established three mission stations in the city, and will soon organize three others. During the stay of the Secretary in Havana he preached two Sundays, both morning and evening. Five deacons were ordained, a number of candidates were baptized and one licentiate ordained to the ministry.

Havana is the capital and the great metropolis of the island. It is our stronghold. We must double our interests there, for through this city we shall be able to influence the whole island. The need for a school is greater than ever. It should, by all means, be opened the coming autumn. Our cemetery should be put in good shape. There is absolute and immediate necessity for this. Suitable properties should be secured in different parts of the city where missions may be established, which in the years to come may grow into self-supporting churches. If we delay, prices will be beyond our reach. We can justly afford to concentrate our energies in Havana. It contains one-sixth of the population of the whole island and is growing rapidly, and is destined to become a far greater factor in commercial and busi-

ness relations than ever before. It is the gateway through which thousands of Americans, in addition to those already there, are soon to make their home in Cuba. The winter travel there during the past season far surpassed that of any previous year. If Cuba is not annexed to the United States she will at least be, in a large measure, controlled by our people. Our intimate relations and the experiences of recent years all unite to encourage more aggressive work than ever before on the part of Southern Baptists.

NEW FIELDS.

Isle of Pines.—Rev. C. D. Danel over two years ago preached on this island and hoped to establish permanent work, but was not able on account of excessive labors in Cuba to give the matter his personal attention. Attention was called to this important field in our last report, and the Convention earnestly recommended that the Board begin work there immediately. An excellent man tendered his services immediately after the Convention adjourned in Nashville, but before his appointment fears as to his health caused the withdrawal of his application. Brother Daniel has recently visited the island and reported conditions very favorable and the need for mission work immediate and pressing. We have been fortunate in securing the services of Rev. K. M. Dedrick, who has already begun work and will occupy Nueva Jerona, Santa Fe, Columbia, and McKinley, about twelve miles apart.

The Isle of Pines is rather in a state of suspense, it being doubtful whether it shall fall to Cuba or to the United States. In either event, it bears such intimate relations with Cuba as to make them virtually one field. The population is mixed. There has been quite an influx of Americans, and the indications are that it will in the near future become a great winter resort for people from the States as well as the permanent abode of many. Americans already own a large percentage of the land, and the destiny of the island will be largely shaped by them. Promptly seized and wisely developed, this field may prove a valuable ally, through the American Christians going there, in the evangelization of the far greater and more populous Cuba. It will likewise become another link in the chain of our missions extending from Tampa, Key West, and Havana on to Panama, and from it adjacent islands may be reached. Already Englishmen from the Island of Grand Cayman, 150 miles away, are anxious for the gospel and will pay the expenses of the missionary to come and preach to them occasionally. From this new field let us hope that gospel light may shine forth on the benighted inhabitants of the tropics, even as the lighthouse illumines the way of lost seamen, tossed on the dark waves of treacherous and angry seas.

Panama.—Pending negotiations with two excellent men for permanent work in the Canal Zone, the Board endeavored to send a capable man to open up the work and were sorely disappointed, just when we thought he was ready to sail for the Isthmus, in having to abandon the temporary arrangement. In the meantime, providential hindrances stood in the way of our

securing the permanent workers in the early summer of 1904. After much prayer and diligent search for a man specially fitted for that trying and important field, the Board secured Rev. J. L. Wise, of Louisiana, who, with his consecrated and capable young bride, has begun work. He writes, under date of April 12, 1905, as follows:

“Culebra, Panama, April 12, 1905.

“Rev. B. D. Gray, D.D., Atlanta, Ga.

“Dear Dr. Gray: At last we are on the Isthmus! We arrived at Colon Monday at 8 A.M. Our voyage was all that we could desire. Neither wife nor I missed a single meal during our trip.

“I have looked over the situation at Colon. No provision has ever been made there for work among white people—neither here at Culebra. Colon is a place of 8,000 people; Culebra, 2,000. Colon has about 200 Americans, and there are about the same number here, and they are coming by scores and hundreds on every vessel. I have met several Baptists among them already. Men who did not care for churches in the States beg me to stay with them. I have been asked to locate both here and at Colon.

“I do not know what wife and I would have done had it not been for Rev. S. M. Loveridge, of this place. He is an excellent fellow. His work is among the negroes altogether. Mr. Loveridge has a nice mission property here, especially his home in which he lives. Except the American Hotel, just about completed, it is the only place suitable for a man to stop with his wife. The negro shanties on some plantations in the States are palaces compared to these. The reason why the people have not any better quarters to live in can be readily seen. There is not a sawmill any nearer than the United States, and lumber costs \$100 per thousand in silver, or \$50 per thousand in gold. Rents are enormous, and nothing to be had worth the name. My salary would not pay rent on a house which could be had in the States for \$15.

“I will hold services tonight for Brother Loveridge, and tomorrow I go to Empire, where there are 165 American marines, and hold services for them. Friday I go to Panama, and then I will go back to Colon.

“Yellow fever is said to exist, but I never saw a more healthy looking country in all my life. The mountains in Culebra are 600 feet above sea level. . . . I will write more fully when I go to Panama City and look over the situation there.

“Thermometer stood yesterday at 83. May the Lord guide us safely. Fraternaly,

“J. L. WISE.”

Brother Wise made a favorable and profound impression upon our Board when he appeared for appointment to this important work in Panama. He has unbounded energy, sincere piety and consecration, and ample literary and theological training, having his A.B. from college and the Th.M. from our seminary at Louisville. His wife is capable and consecrated, and they have entered upon their work in the hope and belief that their lives are to be spent there.

Panama is to come constantly before the world for the next five or ten years. The United States has taken hold of the canal project, and that unparalleled and daring enterprise will be pushed to a speedy conclusion. The great engineer, Mr. Wallace, assures the world that it will be completed before the expiration of the time limit and within the estimated cost. Thousands and thousands of men will be thrown upon the work, and very soon the two oceans will be united and a new era in the world's maritime commerce and traffic will be inaugurated. Through the narrow channel will pass the men-of-war and the merchantmen of all nations. The Gulf of Mexico will become the Mediterranean of the new world and the Occident and the Orient will be brought together. The Pacific will dispute with the Atlantic for the theater of the world's commerce, and our country will instantly become more than ever the leading nation of the world. The Canal Zone will wondrously affect the countries adjacent. Let us hasten there with our Christian forces and take the territory for Christ. Another man must be sent immediately.

CONCLUSION.

We are bound to give thanks unto God for His grace and guidance. We have daily sought His helping hand and called upon Him for divine direction in the prosecution of our work. We have tried to place uppermost in our thoughts the honor of His name, the extension of His kingdom, and the salvation of souls. His ear has not been heavy, that it could not hear; nor his hand shortened, that it could not save. More than during any previous year of our history, He has displayed the marvels of His grace. Comparing some results of this year's work with those of the previous year, we are filled with unspeakable gratitude to our God. For the year 1904 we had 616 missionaries; sermons and addresses, 63,772; baptisms, 7,526; additions by letter, 9,271; total additions, 16,797. For 1905 we had—missionaries, 718; sermons and addresses, 88,016; baptisms, 10,551; additions by letter, 10,019; total additions, 20,570. Increase for 1905: Missionaries, 102; sermons and addresses, 14,244; baptisms, 3,025; by letter, 749; total, 3,773. Surely the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad!

We are likewise able to close the year with no debt and with a balance of \$13,720.27 in the treasury. For some weeks a debt seemed inevitable in view of our enlarged appropriations, and not until the very last day, during which \$46,582.51 was received, were we relieved of our suspense.

Is it not possible for us to distribute our gifts more evenly throughout the year? At the beginning of the year our Board projects work to be undertaken. Most of the appropriations for the entire year are made. Unless we have a good, large surplus we must begin borrowing money at the close of the first month, so light are our receipts during that season, and this must be continued till the year closes.

In concluding our report, it is the earnest wish of the Board that every phase of the work presented may have your serious, prayerful, thorough consideration. We have done our work in

all good conscience according to the directions of your body. If any changes as to methods and policies are desirable, we await the pleasure of the Convention with reference thereto. But as to the work itself we are of one mind in the conviction that nothing should be allowed to imperil its progress.

The religious destiny of the South is more largely in the hands of Baptists than of any other people. And the demands on our Board are double what they were five years ago, but not half what they will be five years hence. The immigrant problem, threatening in so many aspects, must immediately have our attention. Those great, growing, throbbing territories of the West we cannot neglect. The conditions in St. Louis, Baltimore, New Orleans, and Galveston we shall find duplicated in a hundred places in the near future if the imperious needs of our towns and cities are ignored. And shall not the negroes within our midst, now numbering 10,000,000 souls and vitally affecting every phase of our life, shall they not receive from us as willing a service as we gladly bestow upon their Ethiopian brethren in Abeokuta and Ogbomoshaw? And having given Cuba the blessings of political freedom, shall we deny her the greater boon of that soul liberty wherewith Christ makes us free?

Brethren of this Convention, let us arise in the strength of our God and possess this land! Does not the exalted Christ speak to us now as did Jehovah through the holy prophet to His chosen people in the ancient times? Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes roundabout, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee; thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Fidelity to our Lord is the price of this blessing and will doubtless be, in large degree, the measure of our joy when that great city, the Holy Jerusalem, descends out of heaven from God and we sing that exultant chorus, "Alleluiah, for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth."

ANNUAL

Of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board of the

RECEIPTS	For State Expenses	Cash	Totals
1905.			
May 1. Received during the year from—			
*Alabama	\$ 399 96	\$11,143 04	\$11,543 00
Arkansas	300 00	3,327 20	3,627 20
District of Columbia		837 27	837 27
Florida	66 66	3,297 88	3,364 54
Georgia	1,268 36	16,494 01	17,762 37
Indian Territory		628 94	628 94
Kentucky	399 96	13,895 62	14,295 58
Louisiana		4,507 58	4,507 58
Maryland		4,637 33	4,637 33
Mississippi	300 00	8,718 86	9,018 86
Missouri	1,045 51	5,597 74	6,643 25
Oklahoma Territory		450 32	450 32
North Carolina	925 00	7,542 15	8,467 15
South Carolina		8,507 22	8,507 22
Tennessee	100 00	7,321 37	7,321 37
Texas	835 81	20,530 68	21,366 49
Virginia	336 70	14,216 10	14,552 80
Kansas, \$37.50; New York, \$2.10; Mexico, \$5.00; Kansas, \$2.50		47 10	47 10
Total cash from all the States.....	\$5,977 96	\$131,600 41	\$137,573 37
Supplemental receipts or statements—			
From Our Home Field		\$1,563 11	} \$1,619 36
From G. W. Norton, Treas. S. B. Con.....		56 25	
From net income of Mrs. Fannie A. Stocks Fund and Securities, Georgia		1,644 38	1,644 38
Interest from annuity and special gift of \$1,500 invested From legacy Mrs. Emily G. Budwell, S. C.		90 00	} 2,590 00
Received forfeit money on account of sale first church and lot, New Orleans, La.		1,500 00	
From Cuban store rents in Havana, Apr. 15, 1904 to Apr. 15, 1905, including \$240.27 cash on hand Apr. 15, 1904....		1,000 00	2,273 20
Total supplemental receipts		2,273 20	\$ 8,128 94
Balance cash reported to last Convention.....			24,283 61
Grand Total receipts			\$169,988 92
From bills payable, loans obtained		\$25,248 00	25,248 00
Less loans paid		25,248 00	-----
Cash on hand general fund.....		13,720 27	195,236 92

*Church building loan fund and Tichenor Memorial, amounting to \$2,146.91, on 3d page of Treasurer's Report, is included in general receipts from all the States on this page.

Respectfully submitted,

WALKER DUNSON,

Treasurer.

ATLANTA, GA., May 2, 1905.

(See next page of Treasurer's Report.)

REPORT

Southern Baptist Convention from May 1, 1904, to May 1, 1905.

DISBURSEMENTS	For State Expenses	For Mis-sionaries and Schools	Totals
1905.			
May 1. Paid Alabama	\$ 399 96	\$ 1,183 34	\$ 1,583 30
Paid Arkansas	300 00	5,000 00	5,300 00
“ Cuba, Havana Province		8,365 79	} 17,824 17
“ “ Matanzas “		2,770 00	
“ “ Pinar Del Rio Province		1,140 00	
“ “ Santa Clara “		5,548 38	
“ Florida	66 66	5,827 81	5,894 47
“ Georgia (of the \$1,268.36, \$218.30 is W. M. U. Ex.)	1,268 36	850 00	2,118 36
“ Indian Territory		5,422 95	5,422 95
“ Kentucky	399 96	2,779 29	3,179 25
“ Louisiana		10,000 00	10,000 00
“ Maryland		3,818 29	3,818 29
“ Mississippi	300 00	2,000 00	2,300 00
“ Missouri	1,045 51	3,881 03	4,926 54
“ North Carolina	925 00	4,504 00	5,429 00
“ Oklahoma Territory		5,846 61	5,846 61
“ Panama		357 47	357 47
“ Tennessee	100 00	4,600 00	4,700 00
“ Texas	835 81	5,675 83	6,511 64
“ Virginia and W. Va. in Va. Ass'n	336 70	1,677 87	2,014 57
“ National Baptist Con. Missionaries, Nashville		3,212 50	3,212 50
Totals	\$5,977 96	\$84,461 16	\$90,439 12
Paid to Annapolis Church building, Md.		\$2,500 00	} \$28,567 50
“ “ other church buildings, Md.		5,000 00	
“ “ 2d church building, Columbia, S. C.		5,000 00	
“ “ Lenox and LaBelle Church buildings, Memphis, Tenn.		8,800 00	
“ “ church buildings in the Territories and other States		7,267 50	} 10,913 10
“ for three lots in Cuba		5,355 60	
“ on two lots in New Orleans, La.		5,557 50	
“ salary superintendent Mountain Schools, \$1,000; and expenses, \$531.70		1,531 70	1,531 70
Total			\$131,451 42
Paid balance salaries teachers, Havana, Cuba, \$666.37; fire insurance, \$200; city, State and land taxes, \$392.83; repairs and water service, \$334.79; traveling expenses Dr. Daniel, et al., \$524; cash in hand Miss Joerg, agt., \$155.21		\$2,273 20	\$2,273 20
One-half net income Fannie Stocks fund to indigent ministers in Georgia.		825 19	825 19
Expenses of Commission from S. B. Con. on Negro Work.		319 45	319 45
Our Home Field, mailing and extra help, etc.		2,527 07	2,527 07
Corresponding Secretary, salary		3,000 00	} 6,248 00
Office Assistant and Recording Secretary		1,800 00	
Treasurer, \$500; two stenographers and clerks, \$948		1,448 00	
Field Secretary, west of River, salary and expenses		799 42	799 42
Field Secretary and Supt. Negro Missions, salary, \$2,291.68; expenses, \$656.68		2,948 36	2,948 36
Traveling expenses Secretary, Vice-Presidents, etc.		478 60	478 60
Woman's Missionary Union Expenses		1,600 00	} 2,310 45
Southern Baptist Convention Annual		318 45	
Rent of rooms		392 00	
Printing tracts, literature, etc.		1,541 71	} 2,220 00
Office expenses, furniture, telegrams, etc.		493 39	
Incidentals, etc.		184 90	
Stationery		77 50	} 1,013 36
Postage		560 86	
Fire insurance on Church buildings		375 00	
Paid interest on annuity funds, \$4,500		175 00	175 00
Paid interest on borrowed money			532 22
Bills payable, loans paid			25,248 00
Cash on deposit in bank, general fund			13,720 27
Cash on deposit in bank, special fund			2,146 91
Total			\$195,236 92

ATLANTA, GA., May 2, 1905.

(See next page of Treasurer's Report—over.)

WALKER DUNSON,

Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

Church Building Loan Fund.

Church Building Loan Fund Receipts—		
May 1, 1904. Balance in Treasury report to last Convention-----		\$ 4,221 82
May 1, 1905. Interest received on Church Loans-----	\$ 39 00	
Contributions from all the States to Church Building Loan Fund, including Tichenor Memorial Church Building Loan Fund received from all of the States-----	2,146 91	
Principal received on Loan to Jennings Church, La.-----	50 00	2,235 91
Total -----		\$ 6,457 73
Church Building Loan Funds Disbursements—		
Loans made to the following Churches:		
Alabama, Second Church, Gadsden-----	500 00	
Arkansas, First Missionary Baptist Church, Jasper Indian Territory, First Baptist Church, Tishomingo-----	400 00	
Oklahoma Territory, First Church, Noble-----	300 00	
Oklahoma Territory, Washington Avenue Church, Oklahoma City-----	100 00	
Oklahoma Territory, Lawton Church-----	2,000 00	
Oklahoma Territory, Davidson First Baptist Church-----	500 00	
Texas, Pasedena Church-----	125 00	
	300 00	
Total amount of Loans-----		4,225 00
Interest paid annuitants-----		122 50
Total amount of Loans, etc-----		4,347 50
Balance in the Treasury-----		\$ 2,110 23
		\$ 6,457 73
Summary of Receipts Treasurer's Report—		
Supplemental Receipts, 1st page Treasurer's Report-----	\$ 8,126 94	
Total Cash from all the States \$137,578 37 less \$2,146.91. Church Building Loan Fund included below. (See 1st page of Treasurer's Report)-----	135,431 46	
Church Building Loan Fund Receipts including Tichenor Memorial-----	2,235 91	145,794 31
Cash on hand last Convention (General Fund)-----		24,288 61
Cash on hand last Convention (Church Building Loan Fund)-----		4,221 82
Total Cash Receipts-----		\$ 174,299 74

Respectfully submitted,

WALKER DUNSON, *Treasurer.*

This certifies that I have examined the foregoing accounts of Walker Dunson, Treasurer of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, from May 1, 1904, to May 1, 1905, and find the same correct, and supported by proper vouchers, showing a balance in his hands of \$13,720.21 General Fund; on hand of the Church Building Loan Fund the sum of \$2,110.23.

ATLANTA, GA., May 2, 1905.

B. F. ABBOTT, *Auditor.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.—*Continued.*

Assets of the Home Mission Board.

Valance St. Church and lot, New Orleans, La.	\$ 7,500 00
First Church and lot, New Orleans, La	18,000 00
House of Worship, Havana, Cuba	75,000 00
Buenos Ayres or Hospital Property, Havana	10,000 00
Lot in Matanzas, Cuba	2,805 00
Lot in Pinar Del Rio, Cuba	1,050 00
Lot in Sagua La Grande, Cuba	1,500 00
Lots El Paso, Texas	1,800 00
Annuity and a special gift from Missouri, invested in A. & W. Point debentures	1,500 00
Invested in two lots, first payment, New Orleans	5,557 50
Total	\$124,712 50
Less Annuity Fund obligations	4,000 00
Net assets	\$120,712 50
Home Mission Board, Trustee of Fannie A. Stocks, Funds and Securities (estimated)	\$ 38,000 00.

WALKER DUNSON, *Treasurer.*

ATLANTA, GA., May 2, 1905.

APPENDIX C.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

J. M. FROST, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.

MAY, 1905.

IN the providence of God, wherein his goodness has abounded to us exceedingly, the Sunday School Board has completed another year's work—the fourteenth year in its history. It submits to the Convention in this annual report an account of what has been done, and what are its present conditions and prospects. Standing for the Convention's Sunday School Department, the Board presents a large and increasing business, which is missionary in spirit and purpose, and educational in its efforts and methods.

FINANCES FOR THE YEAR.

The receipts and disbursements in detail can be read in the Treasurer's report and in the Table of Appropriations. The receipts for the year have exceeded the receipts of last year by \$10,305.64, reaching a total of \$120,088.40. The increase in the volume of business is even greater, reaching the handsome figure of over twelve thousand dollars — there being a falling off from some other sources, and the Missionary Day collections amounting annually to nearly two thousand dollars being omitted altogether this year.

This enlargement in its business has enabled the Board to enlarge the work in each of its departments, increasing its field

work and its appropriations to other interests, and besides adding ten thousand dollars to its invested Reserve Fund, which now amounts to forty-two thousand dollars. This Fund will be gradually increased as the finances of the Board will allow, until reaching fifty thousand dollars—the amount in which we aim to hold it, but which was drawn on so heavily two years ago in the purchase of the Church Street property. Our purpose is to restore it in full out of the earnings of the business, and then hold it intact and invested for the future protection or enlargement of the Board's interests.

THE SALE OF PROPERTY.

It is the policy of the Board not to hold real estate beyond the needs of its own business operations, at least for the present. So having an opportunity, we sold the house at 167 North Cherry Street in which the business was formerly conducted for several years. It was a cash sale, and the price received was ten thousand two hundred and thirty (\$10,230) dollars, not including cost of sale, about what the Board paid for it in 1897, indeed a small advance.

This money is not included in the current receipts reported in the Financial Statement, but was set aside for a specific and permanent purpose—rather for a double purpose—viz., to create and start a Building Fund and a Permanent Bible Fund, dividing the sum equally and giving to each as a basis five thousand one hundred and fifteen (\$5,115) dollars. These items therefore appear in the Table of Assets in the place of the real estate reported heretofore. This we are sure in advance will meet the approval of the Convention and the brotherhood at large, whom we serve and whose interests we conserve.

This means outreach for the future and preparation for enlargement. Even the magnificent property now owned and occupied by the Board, as the pride and joy of the denomination, though affording ample room and facilities for a great increase in business, can hardly be considered a finality in the growth and needs of the Board's work. This starting of a Building Fund to be augmented out of the business earnings from year to year, is only a forecast of the oncoming of events, so as to be ready whenever the necessity and the opportunity shall meet. The fund as it is now and as it shall be augmented from time to time, will be kept safely invested in interest-bearing securities, and the interest will be turned into the current receipts and made to do service in the affairs of the denomination.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

The following table is repeated from the last annual report, with the figures added for the present year.

It shows at a glance, so far as bare figures can tell such a story, what the Board has done financially in the course of fourteen years.

FIGURES FOR FOURTEEN YEARS.

Year	Total Receipts	Current Bible Fund	Permanent Bible Fund	Appropriations	Reserve Fund	Building Fund	Net Assets
1892	\$19,374 83	\$ 14 50		\$ 355 32			\$ 4,081 63
1893	43,078 71			4,417 82			7,562 94
1894	48,539 16	45 66		3,857 15			9,876 51
1895	58,009 59	7 82		5,916 83	\$ 1,000 00		11,786 17
1896	63,141 12			9,912 01	2,500 00		14,312 30
1897	66,280 41	91 31		11,477 09	†		22,511 63
1898	*64,626 90	673 16		11,855 49	10,000 00		32,787 76
1899	66,766 35	1,374 04		13,688 28	19,000 00		39,818 93
1900	71,602 42	1,306 97		13,538 18	30,000 00		52,819 33
1901	78,810 97	3,130 95		16,288 52	44,000 00		68,359 53
1902	89,345 71	4,088 44		16,086 17	50,000 00	\$12,000 00	84,314 22
1903	97,518 45	4,156 67		17,171 59	‡21,251 10	¶	106,281 81
1904	109,782 76	5,323 76		21,096 46	32,000 00		118,435 04
1905	120,088 40	4,500 15	5,115 00	21,782 90	42,000 00	5,115 00	133,810 44

* Reduction in price of periodicals.

‡ Drawn on to buy Church street house.

† Used in buying Cherry street house.

¶ Used to purchase Church street house.

It is interesting to study this table. It is worth being repeated, and kept standing from year to year, with the added figures as the business moves on.

The Reserve Fund shows an instructive history. It first appeared in 1895, and the next year it was increased by fifteen hundred dollars. Then it disappeared in the purchase of property. It reappears in 1898, however, and gradually advances year by year until, in 1902, it reached fifty thousand dollars. The following year it was reduced by more than one-half, having been used with the Building Fund in the purchase of the magnificent property now used as a business house for the Board. The next year, however, it was increased by more than ten thousand dollars, and this year comes to the handsome figure shown in the table—forty-two thousand dollars. All this has been done out of the earnings of the Board's business, without in any wise stinting the appropriations made one way and another, to the denomination—aggregating, in fourteen years, nearly one hundred and seventy thousand dollars.

So also each column of this table has its own history and deserves special mention for the showing made. This year the Building Fund reappears, while the Permanent Bible Fund appears for the first time, and waits for the future years to tell what its history will be. This financial table should stir the denomination's heart and pride as a record of the past, and awaken larger hope as a forecast for the future.

PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS.

Here you come upon the very nerve center of the Board's business life. Everything depends upon this as the base of supply in all the Board undertakes for denominational advantage. Here is the mark of its progress, and the means by which it projects all of its plans and enterprises. To use the periodicals is to increase the Board's effectiveness for service, to aug-

ment its power for usefulness, to not only give one's self a place in all the Board is doing, but also to give added impulse at the most vital point where it will be felt most.

The Board's phenomenal growth and the large service which it has been able to render the denomination comes chiefly from its periodical publications. Our people in a marvelous way have united in their support of the Convention in the enterprise, and have made it a tremendous power for good. Surely every consideration with weighty and urgent reasons, appeals to the churches and Sunday schools to use these periodicals. This is giving support to the Convention in its Sunday School Department and in its effort to improve its Sunday school condition.

These periodicals stand on their merit, and have won their way by intrinsic excellence. They have no superior in the whole field of Sunday school helps, while they surpass all others in their special adaptation to the needs and conditions and work of our own people.

Their use, moreover, not only equips your school with high-grade papers, but makes actual contribution to the work of the Board. The money you pay for them actually becomes a contribution to the cause of Christ, while you get full value for your outlay. There is a full line of these helps so graded in Teacher and Quarterlies and papers as to suit all needs and conditions. We present herewith the full list of periodicals:

PRICE LIST PER QUARTER.

Superintendent's Quarterly.....	\$0 10	Youth's Kind Words (semi-monthly, 4 pages).....	06
The Convention Teacher.....	12	Baptist Boys and Girls (weekly, 4 pages).....	08
Bible Class Quarterly.....	04	Child's Gem.....	06
Advanced Quarterly.....	02	Bible Lesson Pictures.....	75
Intermediate Quarterly.....	02	Picture Lesson Cards.....	02½
Primary Quarterly.....	02	B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, single copy	10
The Lesson Leaf.....	01	Six copies to one address, each	06
The Primary Leaf.....	01		
Kind Words (weekly, 8 pages).....	13		

It will be observed that since last year we have added to the list a new publication, the Superintendent's Quarterly. Its character and scope and purpose is told in its name. It is large octavo in size, with fifty-six pages, filled with such things as will be helpful to the superintendent of the Sunday school.

Heretofore almost nothing has been done for the superintendent, while so much has been done for teachers and the scholars. And yet he is the strategic man in the situation and holds in his hand the effectiveness as well as the very character and life of the school. Improvement with the superintendent will bring improvement with everything connected with the school.

The other periodicals have been improved in various ways. Special features have been introduced in an effort to give our people the very best and to make the literature of the highest order and the most effective.

Among these special features we mention the Doctrinal Lessons, which are for use on each Review Sunday. For the present year these lessons deal with our distinctively denominational belief. Each Quarterly contains a graded set of questions and answers, while in the Teacher the subject is treated at greater

length. We have had abundant testimony to the value of this feature, both as used in single classes and by schools. We hope in some form to make this feature permanent.

We have also tried the experiment of printing in our Quarterlies questions and answers, selected from the Catechism prepared by Dr. John A. Broadus. Two questions are given each week, and these have been used in many places to great advantage. The study of the catechism is always effective, and we would gladly introduce it in a larger way.

In a sense these features have been experiments along the line of supplemental work, and show that something can be done in connection with the regular International Lessons to make the Sunday school a training school for doctrines and missions and general Bible knowledge, while maintaining the regular lessons, which is of interest to all. We are studying the needs of our constituency and will devise the best methods of serving them, adopting what will prove most effective.

PUBLICATION OF BOOKS AND TRACTS.

There is a growing demand from the denomination that the Board enlarge its publication of books. Some go so far as to say the Board should publish books on a scale large enough to make that one of its chief characteristics, as it is now the Publishing House of a great line of Sunday school helps. To do that is not an easy task. And yet book making has in it such large possibilities for good, and even for meeting pressing necessities, that it should be encouraged in every safe and wise way. It is capable of indefinite expansion, and will open a great field for our people.

It will be observed from the disbursements shown in the Treasurer's report, that a much larger sum (\$7,602.16) than ever before has been expended this year for the publication of books and tracts—especially for books. The Board, without drawing on its Reserve Fund, has used in the outlay the earnings of its business as a "working capital," turning it over again and again so as to make it carry the book-making industry and yield yet other receipts and other profits.

Besides reprints of its former publications, which are doing well and on a paying basis, the Board has issued three new books during the year—viz.:

"The Doctrines of Our Faith," by Dr. E. C. Dargan, with introduction by Dr. George W. Truett. A small volume of 230 pages, cloth 12 mo., 50 cents, postpaid. Its success is guaranteed as a handbook for our Normal Course and B. Y. P. U. Classes, and individual study. It is a book of very high merit, clear, sound, of devout spirit, brief and yet comprehensive in dealing with the whole round of doctrine. It is published as the third book under the Eva Garvey Fund, which has already wrought so well in the noble work to which it was dedicated.

"The Pastor and Teacher Training," by Dr. A. H. McKinney, also a 12 mo. cloth, 198 pages, 50 cents, postpaid. This is the fourth course of the Seminary Lectures, uniform with its three predecessors, and like them issued under the Constance Pollock Fund, which is serving on a large scale and in a most effective

way for usefulness at a most vital point. The book is the work of an expert, and is helpful in the important work of a pastor in training his teachers.

"The Baptist Hymn and Praise Book." For years this book has been called for; last year it was announced and is now a joyous reality. It is of convenient size, in most excellent workmanship, contains 436 pages and 577 hymns, the very cream of the new and the old. It sells for 85 cents single copy, post-paid; \$8 per dozen; \$30 per fifty; \$55 per 100 copies—transportation extra with the quantity prices. It was our aim to make a book of the highest possible merit to sell at the lowest possible price. These prices are at the lowest figure, and are without variation; all are dealt with on the same basis. Our idea was to give the churches every possible advantage.

The book has met with the highest praise, and is already selling well in its second large issue. It is first of all a church book of high grade, but suitable to all the services of the church, whether on Sunday or at prayer meeting or in the Sunday school or in the special revival meetings.

By the testimony of a large number of our best pastors, it is meeting this high purpose in a noble way. Churches with this book have their wants well met on Sunday, and do not need when the special service comes, to retire the regular book and buy a special book for the special service. This is the supreme test, and the "Baptist Hymn and Praise Book" answers the case with satisfaction and joy. The Board counts this as the very crown of its book-publication, and almost its highest service to the denomination.

THE PERMANENT BIBLE FUND.

This deserves special emphasis. Though it has already been mentioned as having been started by the Board's setting apart for this purpose one-half (\$5,115) of the price received from sale of Cherry Street property. Having this sum as a foundation, it will receive from time to time such amounts as may be placed to its credit from the earnings of the Board's business. And the intention will be to keep it invested and use each year only its interest for the distribution of the Word of God. And we hope that this Permanent Fund will receive also gifts from persons who may wish to place their money in some safe form for future usefulness, and we also hope that some will remember this Permanent Fund with bequests and write it down in their wills.

This does not conflict in any way and will not be allowed to interfere with the current Bible and Colportage Fund which stands now for the Bible work of the Baptists of the South. This will continue in the future as in the past to render noble and needed service. We solicit contributions for this each year, and it has become popular and useful.

The amount received this year is over five thousand dollars, and has been used, as the Table of Appropriations shows, in a large and open field; one thousand (\$1,000) dollars have gone as a gift to the Foreign Board for Bible distribution on the foreign field. Nearly as much more has gone to the Home Board

for work among its missionaries at home, among the immigrants and in Cuba; while some other portions have been used in aiding State Boards in their important work; while in other cases the Sunday School Board has taken hold directly to give such help as seemed wise.

For fostering this part of our work we have the Children's Bible Day, in June—second or last Sunday—programs, supplements and mite boxes being furnished without cost to all who wish them. And we seek contributions from churches, Sunday schools and individuals to carry forward this work. We commend it to our people and solicit their co-operation.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROBLEM.

The Sunday school problem, and what to do with it. It calls for recognition and emphasis and mastery. This is the very heart of the object for which this Board has its being. All else is subordinated to this. The publication of books and tracts and periodicals must be held as only a means to an end, that end the betterment of the Sunday school condition, which in turn becomes itself a means to the still higher end of extending the kingdom of Christ among men.

The condition of the Sunday school cause among Baptist Churches in the South may be seen in part from the following table, made up from the latest figures from the able statistical secretary of the Convention:

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

States.	Churches.	Members.	Sunday Schools.	Enrollment.
Alabama.....	1,884	147,127	975	60,090
Arkansas.....	1,355	80,705	475	23,569
District of Columbia...	18	6,153	24	6,489
Florida.....	527	28,540	221	11,143
Georgia.....	2,120	213,325	1,287	78,137
Kentucky.....	1,676	202,950	897	63,895
Louisiana.....	602	45,037	284	12,739
Maryland.....	61	10,699	73	9,866
Mississippi.....	1,305	109,294	597	32,383
Missouri.....	1,868	161,073	1,194	91,340
North Carolina.....	1,777	184,333	1,342	105,504
South Carolina.....	943	108,449	706	53,805
Tennessee.....	1,562	143,390	842	52,054
Texas.....	2,851	217,144	1,228	76,829
Virginia.....	1,008	128,406	896	86,187
The Territories.....	845	46,010	345	12,218
Total.....	20,406	1,832,635	11,336	776,248

Two things are manifest from these figures. First, they are the completest and most trustworthy that can be obtained; second, they hardly give us a true exhibit of the real situation. There are certainly more Sunday schools than are here reported. As a matter of fact this Board is in quarterly touch and communication with nearly as many as are shown in this table.

But, after making all allowances, there is still pressing need for more schools, larger schools and better schools. In the mastery of this problem there is no greater single force and factor than the pastor. He is the strategic man and holds the key to the situation. Each pastor mastering the problem in his own church or churches—this is ideal, and would give such harvest and fruitage as no pen can record.

The Sunday school is one manifestation of the life and one direction of the activities of a church. The absence of a school marks a low condition in all departments of Christian endeavors. And improvement at this point means almost surely improvement throughout the whole line of denominational enterprises. The people with the best Sunday school condition will have the leadership in evangelizing the world.

OUR FIELD SECRETARIES.

Since our last report the force of the Board's Field Secretaries has been increased by the addition of two men—viz., Rev. Harvey Beauchamp, Little Rock, Ark., and Rev. W. E. Brittain, Waco, Texas. This gives us five able and competent men, distributed throughout the territory of the Convention, and working at the very foundation of our denominational life and prosperity and efficiency.

This work, including the Board's part in the support of the Western Secretary and one Sunday school missionary, requires an annual expenditure of nearly twelve thousand (\$12,000) dollars, all of which is furnished out of the Business Department of the Board, without asking for contributions in its behalf. It is somewhat in the nature of a dividend which the denomination receives from an enterprise which it has founded and is operating.

And yet so needed and important is this work, that the outlay would be amply justified, even if it had to be collected in gifts from the field. But the business of the Board is making this contribution to the improvement of the Sunday school condition, and eternity alone can reveal its far-reaching results.

The Field Secretaries are giving special attention, by way of emphasis and assistance, to the training of teachers. Better schools require almost as the first thing, better teachers. This assistance is given through institute work and the Normal Course, and also as they can reach the teachers through pastors and otherwise.

In this day when such emphasis is put upon the technical methods in teaching, almost to the point of burdening and hampering the Sunday school teacher with the methods and spirit of the secular school, we feel constrained to say: (1) We must not overlook the immense and valuable work done in the past by what some consider inferior methods; (2) we must use every advantage, while guarding against methods that may be unfitted and even hurtful in the unique and higher sphere of teaching the word of God in the Sunday school; (3) we must insist that the first and highest qualification of the teacher here, as also in his noble art of teaching, is heart-power through personal knowledge of Jesus Christ as Saviour, through familiarity

with the word of God as to its great doctrines, and through personal indwelling of the Holy Spirit of God. Without this all will be mechanical in effort and deadly in results; with this all aids and training will become a mighty power for God, for truth and for raising up a people who shall hasten the coming of our Lord and bring on his coronation as King of kings and Lord of lords.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH B. Y. P. U. WORK.

About five years ago, at the request of the B. Y. P. U. of the South, the Sunday School Board began publishing the B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, to meet the needs of our young people in their services, with special emphasis on the prayer meeting and training in denominational doctrines.

This was done at considerable expense and without adequate money returns from a business standpoint. But it paid in many other and higher ways. The Quarterly has been successful in reaching the young people, and in meeting the high ends for which it was projected. It is going now to more local unions in the South and serving more of our young people than any paper of its kind. And there is already a call, becoming more and more urgent, to have some such similar periodical for help in Junior work. The suggestion has also been made that the Field Secretaries of the Board might, in addition to what they are now doing, render special assistance also to our young people's work. This is altogether practical, and may be operated so as to be helpful in both departments. There may be conjunction of work in our Normal Course and in the B. Y. P. U. Study Course. Certainly "culture for service" could find no nobler or broader field for its operation than in teaching and in the training of teachers—the same high end at which our Normal Courses are working.

Take, for example, Dr. Dargan's book, "Doctrines of Our Faith." It was first published specifically for the Sacred Literature Course, in a series of articles in the Baptist Union. It has now been published by the Sunday School Board in book form with special view to the Normal Course operated by this Board in the interest of teacher training.

This is worthy of consideration. Such a conjunction of forces, not formal, but pliable and mutually helpful, would give immense advantage to B. Y. P. U. work and Sunday school work. We only introduce it here in hope of eliciting favorable consideration and earnest thought by all who are concerned in the two departments of endeavor for Christ.

In our opinion it is manifest that, whether by one means or the other, we have a common and pressing need for emphasizing denominational teaching of denominational doctrines. It is hardly possible to exaggerate that phase of the work. There is need for the Baptist faith, the Baptist spirit, the Baptist life, the Baptist sentiment and the Baptist mission. And there is need for it with our young people if we are to make of them Christians and church members of highest order.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Miss Annie W. Armstrong, the very competent and efficient Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, has submitted her annual report. It is published herewith and makes a very gratifying exhibit of what the W. M. U. has done for the Sunday School Board during the year.

From the first the W. M. U. and its Secretary have been earnest supporters of this Board, and much of its success must be attributed to them. Indeed, they are so active in the work of all the boards of the Convention and so helpful, that we have come to look upon the W. M. U. as one of the most potent factors in every onward movement. The Board cheerfully puts on record its own grateful appreciation of the noble work reported year by year showing what has been done in its behalf. Their report for this year is as follows:

Annual Report of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxillary Southern Baptist Convention, to the Sunday School Board, Southern Baptist Convention.

In making the annual report of Woman's Missionary Union to the Sunday School Board, we would emphasize the fact that Woman's Missionary Union and effort for the development of Southern Baptist Young People, Woman's Missionary Union and missionary literature are inseparably connected. As Sunday school teachers and Band leaders, W. M. U. workers are co-operating with the Sunday School Board by sowing missionary thoughts, thus helping to make young people a force in denominational life, and by immeasurable influence for the adoption of the Sunday School Board periodicals.

An examination of a file of W. M. U. reports proves very helpful to a true perspective of work along lines advocated by the Sunday School Board. Delving back to the first report—that of 1889—we find that in the very beginning of our work interest in Southern Baptist young people led in the publication and widespread distribution of a leaflet, "Our Duty to Young People." The report in 1890 includes a thoughtful paper entitled "The Children for Christ," which was printed therein with a view of strengthening work already undertaken. In 1891 there is further advance, an invitation from Dr. S. Boykin having been accepted to increase the helpfulness of *Kind Words*, which was then under the auspices of the Home Mission Board. Miss Alice Armstrong became editor of the Woman's Missionary Union Department.

With this glimpse of history *before* the organization of the present Sunday School Board in 1892, it is not surprising that Woman's Missionary Union was among the first to appreciate the need, and see the possibilities of the Sunday School Board, and that during the early, struggling years of its work Woman's Missionary Union stood firmly for its interests, with untiring energy endeavoring to bring others into sympathy and active co-operation.

Throughout all the years continuous, quiet service has been made by Miss Alice Armstrong, Maryland, assisted by Miss E. Y. Hyde, South Carolina, and others towards the success of *Kind Words* by helpful work in the W. M. U. Department. For several years the Corresponding Secretary, W. M. U., secured manuscripts for a Young People's Scripture Union Department in *Kind Words*, and, in addition, conducted two de-

partments in the *Teacher*. Material for "Missionary Meetings," as presented in the *B. Y. P. U. Quarterly*, emanates largely from Woman's Missionary Union, and a "Department of Young Ladies' Missionary Societies" is conducted by Mrs. J. S. Dill, Kentucky. With appreciation of the Sunday School Board's work in Bible distribution, it is somewhat gratifying to reflect that Woman's Missionary Union was a large factor towards inauguration of the Bible Department. The observance of Children's Day in June for the benefit of the Bible Fund was begun in 1898, and programs have ever since been prepared. A feature of 1900 was the inauguration of "An Annuity Fund" through Woman's Missionary Union instrumentality, one thousand dollars having been placed in the hands of the Sunday School Board. Sunday school missionaries doing effective work in fostering Sunday school interests have been included among those to whom boxes of clothing are sent. In 1902, after ten years of progress, the Secretary of the Sunday School Board said: "We are sure that no one agency has been more potent in contributing to the remarkable success which has come to the Sunday School Board than the Woman's Missionary Union." In conclusion, for 1904-1905 the aim of Woman's Missionary Union has been to "lengthen cords and strengthen stakes" in every direction.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,

Corresponding Secretary.

Treasurer's Report of Cash Contributions from Woman's Mission Societies and Bands.

Alabama	\$ 53 78
Arkansas	64 35
Georgia	51 00
Indian Territory	4 20
Kentucky	15 20
Louisiana	53 50
Maryland	13 20
Mississippi	7 50
North Carolina	1 50
South Carolina	131 13
Tennessee	21 19
Total	<hr/> \$416 55

Value of Boxes Sent to Sunday School Missionaries.

Georgia	\$ 282 25
Kentucky	140 00
Louisiana	150 00
Mississippi	65 20
North Carolina	15 00
South Carolina	156 09
Tennessee	295 36
Virginia	352 20
Total	<hr/> \$1,456 10

ELLA V. RICKER,

Treasurer W. M. U.

MISSION LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

This is located in Baltimore as headquarters, under the management of the Home Mission Board and the Sunday School Board, through Miss Annie W. Armstrong as Corresponding Secretary, with Miss Ella V. Ricker as Treasurer, who are elected each year, and whose annual reports are submitted herewith. It has been under her charge from its origin, first by the Baptists of Maryland, and later when it was transferred to the two Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.

It has been operated on a successful financial basis, not only paid its own way, but has kept the original fund intact, and has added something to it.

Its tracts are sold at a very low figure, indeed a mere nominal price, yet these tracts are of the very highest order, and are all missionary in subject and treatments and spirit. They cover all fields and every phase of missions, and make the finest collection of mission tracts in the whole country, perhaps in the world, both the largest and the most excellent.

Thousands and thousands of these tracts have been printed, aggregating many millions of copies. This is a tremendous power for good; it is a seed-sowing promising immense harvest, and reaching far into the future years and into eternity, whose results are beyond calculation and even expression.

None of these tracts are given away by the Mission Literature Department, as the price is so small as to put them in reach of all. A letter to Miss Armstrong at 233 N. Howard Street, Baltimore, Md., with a request will get in answer a catalogue showing complete list with prices. Pastors and others through this simple agency can easily sow down their fields with mission literature of the very best sort. We earnestly urge that pastors and others acquaint themselves with this effective agency in our work.

The annual report is as follows:

**Fourth Annual Report of the Mission Literature Department,
Southern Baptist Convention, April 20, 1904,
to April 20, 1905.**

The fourth annual report of the Mission Literature Department, S. B. C., or the nineteenth annual report of the Maryland Baptist Mission Rooms, is hereby presented. The year has been a fruitful one, large quantities of literature having been sold with an increase to the capital of \$122.95. The work is no expense to the denomination for room rent or services. It is maintained to supply churches, societies, and individual workers with suitable leaflet literature on S. B. C. and all other fields at a small cost. It does not dispense free literature. The effort is more general in its scope than the free literature of the Boards. For nineteen years among its publications it has been issuing the monthly missionary literature, or twelve leaflets each year on the work of the Convention Boards, thus putting into circulation a vast amount of information regarding S. B. C. work. A new catalogue has just been issued with a well-selected and classified list of over four hundred leaflets. Orders come from all over the United States and Canada, and it is accorded to the Literature Department, S. B. C., to have a more varied supply of leaf-

lets than can be found elsewhere. It had been intended to start missionary circulating libraries the past year, but great pressure of other work has prevented.

The statistical report for the year, April 1904-1905, is as follows:

Leaflets printed or reprinted.....	53
Leaflets printed or reprinted (No. copies).	268,500
Leaflets purchased from other publication houses	5,381
Collection envelopes	232,000
Mission Topic Cards.....	32,000
Cash on hand, April, 1904.....	\$ 870 63
Cash on hand, April, 1905.....	993 58
Accounts receivable	66 21

Respectfully submitted,
ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,
Corresponding Secretary.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE.

We turn into the new year in excellent condition for future work. In our administration of the affairs committed to our care, we keep ever in mind that we are simply acting for the churches as represented in the Southern Baptist Convention. Our chief concern is to carry out their wishes as expressed in the Convention from time to time, and to have this great enterprise which they have founded and are operating, yield the largest possible results for denominational advantage.

The growth of the enterprise has been phenomenal, viewed simply from a commercial standpoint, but this only means augmented power to serve the high ends for which the Board was called into existence. As the Convention's Department of Sunday Schools it has become a mighty agency for the furtherance of denominational interests at this important point of its life.

Still with all this growth in the past we have hardly done more than make preparation for future work. The present demand is very urgent, while the possibilities and opportunities are almost without limit. The coming years will surely see great forward movement in all our enterprises, and we earnestly desire that this Board shall be ready and effective for whatever it may be called upon to do.

God is leading us forward, and ever setting before us an open door, and beyond he is still calling us to enter. His opening and our entering mark the highway of progress, and lead to the coming of his kingdom.

Annual Financial Statement.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Cash Receipts.

April 30, 1905.		
Balance on hand May 1, 1904.....		\$ 1,517 11
Periodicals, merchandise, advertising space, etc.....	\$112,912 72	
Interest on invested Reserve Fund.....	1,928 00	
Contributions to Bible and Colportage Fund.....	4,500 15	
Rent on Rooms and House.....	747 53	120,088 40
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		\$121,605 51

Disbursements.

Denominational Work—		
Convention Annual, S. B. C., 1904.....	\$ 318 46	
Expense Fund, W. M. U.....	400 00	
Expense Children's Day Bible Fund.....	217 90	
Special gift to Foreign Board for Bible Work.....	1,000 00	
Lecture Course to Southern Baptist Theo. Seminary.....	250 00	
Sunday School Missions and Missionaries.....	10,365 43	
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	\$ 12,551 79	
Periodicals—		
Paper, composition, presswork, binding.....	\$ 42,680 75	
Lesson pictures, lesson cards, electros.....	7,158 39	
Mailing department, including postage.....	8,259 29	
Editorial department—		
Secretary's salary.....	\$ 2,500 00	
Stenographer.....	390 00	
Manuscripts.....	3,206 70	
Traveling expenses.....	48 43	6,145 13
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	\$ 64,243 56	
Miscellaneous—		
Merchandise, books, Bibles, Testaments, song books, tracts, reward cards, catechisms, etc.....	\$ 7,960 81	
Furniture and fixtures.....	188 90	
Transferred to Reserve Fund.....	10,000 00	
Publishing books, tracts, etc.....	7,602 16	
Repairs on house 167 North Cherry St.....	291 45	
Improvement and repairs 710 Church St.....	282 25	
Interest paid on Annuity Gift.....	35 00	
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	\$ 26,360 57	
Operating Expenses—		
Bookkeeper, stenographer, three clerks, extra help.....	\$ 5,219 70	
Salary Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.....	3,000 00	
Postage on merchandise, circulars, order blanks.....	2,691 36	
Advertising in denominational papers.....	1,524 82	
General expenses (sundry items).....	520 06	
Traveling expenses Cor. Secretary and others.....	766 08	
Circulars and order blanks.....	553 76	
Freight and express.....	631 34	
Stationery.....	461 20	
Printing report for 1904.....	129 86	
Money refunded or forwarded.....	134 41	
Fuel, gas, water.....	295 44	
Insurance.....	205 75	
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	\$ 16,133 78	
Total for Denominational Work, Periodicals, Miscellaneous, and Operating Expenses.....		\$119,289 70
Balance on hand to date.....		\$ 2,315 81
Reserve Fund—		
May 1, 1904, cash and securities.....	\$ 32,000 00	
Added during year.....	10,000 00	
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Total.....	\$ 42,000 00	
Building fund, cash and securities.....	5,115 00	
Permanent Bible fund, cash and securities.....	5,115 00	
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Total cash and securities.....	\$ 52,230 00	

J. M. FROST, *Treasurer.*

This certifies that I have examined the foregoing account of J. M. Frost, Treasurer of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, from May 1, 1904, to April 30, 1905, and find the same correct. ROGER EASTMAN, *Auditor.*

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT
From May 1, 1904, to April 30, 1905.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	CASH.	PERIODICALS.		BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS		BOOKS AND TRACTS.			TOTAL VALUE.	MISSIONARY BOXES.	
		Value.	Copies.	Value.	Copies Books.	Copies Tracts.	Value.	Number.		Value.	
Alabama.....		\$ 131 25	1,176	\$ 477 87	22	100	\$ 17 35		\$ 626 47		
Arkansas.....	\$ 100 00	282 81	896	205 20	1,173	30,100	1,037 35		1,685 36		
District of Columbia.....		3 55							3 55		
Florida.....		108 61	158	132 78	175	2,400	91 39		332 78	2	\$ 110 25
Georgia.....	100 00	349 96	1,293	117 65	16	72	7 70		575 31		
Indian Territory.....		116 74	161	84 75	61	50	47 35		248 84	3	230 74
Kentucky.....		252 33	901	117 00	217	1,835	241 41		610 74		
Louisiana.....		138 01	113	53 55		500	5 00		196 56		
Maryland.....		18 39	1,150	125 00		9,050	42 00		185 39		
Mississippi.....	100 00	191 86	768	411 00	2	4,000	95 55		798 35		
Missouri.....		205 14	101	15 50	473	7,500	289 67		510 31	4	458 86
North Carolina.....	100 00	209 88	1,084	184 24	37	1,263	43 23		537 35		
Oklahoma Territory.....		46 93	26	8 60		400	5 30		60 83	7	405 45
South Carolina.....		105 85	296	86 35	16		11 85		204 05		
Tennessee.....		581 50	3,758	332 15	533		258 75		1,172 40	2	140 20
Texas.....		315 12	1,873	236 02	101	6,565	144 04		695 18	1	110 60
Virginia.....		167 26	191	70 89	127	250	92 70		330 85		
Other States.....		19 55	12	5 00	15	6	7 70		32 25		
Home Mission Board.....			12,362	*1,000 00		21,552	293 43		743 22		
Foreign Mission Board.....		24 32			5	2,950	57 00		1,081 32		
Field Work Sunday School Board.....		9,965 43							9,965 43		
Southern Baptist Theolog'1 Seminary.....		250 00							250 00		
Other denominational interests.....		936 36							936 36		
Total.....	\$11,551 79	\$ 3,259 00	26,319	\$4,173 34	2,973	88,593	\$2,788 77		\$21,782 90	19	\$1,456 10

* We are unable to indicate the number of copies this sum represents.

Report of Business Committee.

Assets.

April 30, 1905.

Mechandise on hand, as per invoice.....	\$ *4,663 42
Furniture and fixtures.....	2,240 75
Due from agents.....	3,402 79
Unpaid Accounts.....	9,392 93
Building Fund*.....	5,115 00
Permanent Bible Fund*.....	5,115 00
House and lot, 710 Church Street.....	60,000 00
Reserve fund invested*.....	42,000 00
Cash on hand.....	2,315 81
Total assets.....	\$134,245 70

Liabilities.

Advanced payments on periodicals.....	\$ 435 28
Balance (net assets).....	\$133,810 42

A. B. HILL,
Chairman Business Committee.

Memorandum of Permanent Funds.

Permanent Bible Fund*.....	\$5,115 00
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BOOK ENDOWMENTS.

No. 1. Matthew T. Yates Publishing Fund, Given by the Board, December 31, 1897.....	\$500 00
No. 2. Eva Garvey Publishing Fund, Given by B. E. Garvey, January 21, 1899.....	500 00
No. 3. Constance Pollock Publishing Fund, Given by P. D. Pollock, LL.D., President Mercer University, March 8, 1902.....	500 00

ANNUITY GIFT.

No. 1. Given June 5, 1899.....	\$1,000 00
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Contributions by States and Territories.

MAY 1, 1904, TO APRIL 30, 1905.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Children's Day Bible Colpor- tage Fund.	MISSIONARY BOXES.	
		Number.	Value.
Alabama.....	\$ 372 31		
Arkansas.....	106 85		
District of Columbia.....	8 77		
Florida.....	109 51		
Georgia.....	514 73	4	\$ 282 25
Indian Territory.....	46 58		
Kentucky.....	261 35	1	140 00
Louisiana.....	237 88	2	150 00
Maryland.....	96 81		
Mississippi.....	223 58	1	65 20
Missouri.....	33 28		
North Carolina.....	413 58	1	15 00
Oklahoma Territory.....	4 86		
South Carolina.....	008 65	2	156 09
Tennessee.....	262 88	3	295 36
Texas.....	1,147 60		
Virginia.....	38 31	5	352 20
Other States.....	12 67		
Total.....	\$4,500 15	19	\$1,456 10

* See body of Report.

APPENDIX D.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

COMPILED BY LANSING BURROWS, ONE OF THE SECRETARIES,
FROM THE ASSOCIATIONAL MINUTES OF 1904,
SAVE IN THE INSTANCES WHICH
ARE INDICATED BY*.

ALABAMA.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
1 Alabama	11	51	795	7	336	\$ 4,900	\$ 369 80	\$ 119 99	\$ 61 05	\$ 550 84
2 Antioch	22	77	1,247	8	357	8,340	1,746 85	459 15	492 85	2,698 85
3 Arbacoochee	10	47	636			5,000	14 35	9 90	17 33	41 58
4 Bessemer	9	65	926	8	501	7,000	1,621 69	118 36	401 67	2,141 72
5 Bethel	25	114	2,012	16	720	7,200	31 95	1,014 32	235 67	1,281 94
6 Bethlehem	20	106	1,548	14	434	8,050	1,560 50	332 51	72 76	1,965 77
7 Bibb Co.	23	172	2,358	16	791	14,125	4,066 50	501 79	313 31	4,881 60
8 Big Bear Creek	23	126	1,561	5	181	6,000	323 40	136 25	70 50	530 15
9 Bigbee	23	51	1,201	11	517	22,350	3,977 05	1,313 83	630 85	5,921 73
10 Birmingham	55	548	6,918	47	5,688	208,250	56,883 24	8,346 43	8,774 28	74,003 95
11 Blue Creek	10	14	410	8	105		8 62	16 77	4 00	29 39
12 Butler Co.	23	192	2,018			23,025	4,612 90	746 45	1,269 56	6,628 91
13 Cahaba	33	83	2,469	17	856	31,300	5,613 10	1,540 26	991 86	8,145 22
14 Calhoun	43	256	4,528	28	2,118	107,720	8,000 63	2,615 45	2,836 74	13,452 82
15 Carey	36	146	2,825	22	1,455	14,000	1,648 83	301 06	501 75	2,451 64
16 Cedar Bluff	16	37	896	12	572	5,850	617 39	179 49	73 99	870 87
17 Centennial	15	20	1,158	6	282	19,800	3,413 38	896 27	398 32	4,707 97
18 Central	43	203	3,895	27	1,856	26,125	243 54	627 98	681 78	1,553 30
19 Cherokee	47	150	3,101	19	1,081	12,825	40 84	246 41	124 79	412 04
20 Cherokee Co.	25	63	1,511	9	595	15,000	659 93	133 02	63 38	856 33
21 Chilton Co.	18	86	1,794	12	712	7,100	1,182 55	96 53	65 62	1,344 70
22 Clarke Co.	48	247	3,781	34	1,628	22,300	9,918 38	1,163 36	401 61	11,483 35
23 Clay Co.	15	48	1,309	8	543		32 93	82 35	60 20	175 48
24 Clear Creek*	38		1,819	9	380	5,000				
25 Cleburne	23	58	1,570	7	310	3,700	493 38	108 57	96 44	698 39
26 Colbert	19	115	1,433	11	703	19,150	6,170 04	556 88	403 69	7,130 61
27 Columbia	34	346	3,281	16	1,247	40,250	3,426 91	638 29	409 44	4,474 64
28 Conecuh Co.	20	115	1,679	12	790	11,900	2,697 44	614 67	521 52	3,833 63
29 Coosa River	37	201	3,835	25	1,834	52,200	11,270 31	2,138 70	595 71	14,004 72
30 Crenshaw Co*	12		802	5	209	4,650				
31 Cullman	46	154	2,632	20	913	10,000	1,824 69	208 78	181 56	2,215 03
32 Elim	15	99	838	14	500	8,900	659 33	191 10	48 73	899 16
33 Escambia Co.	15	117	1,264	12	841	18,050	5,185 66	306 68	163 90	5,656 24
34 Etowah	26	136	2,759	19	1,219	31,050	6,889 49	685 74	297 68	7,872 91
35 Eufaula	17	76	1,592	12	922	35,500	3,644 46	781 36	1,154 80	5,580 62

ALABAMA—Continued.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
6 Geneva	25	142	1,814	11	538	\$ 7,650	\$ 1,901 35	\$ 451 58	\$2,126 71	\$ 4,479 64
7 Gilliam Springs ..	18	104	1,265	9	435	3,000	902 07	70 42	17 70	990 19
8 Harmony†										
9 Harmony Grove ..	21	91	1,379	11	744	6,325	1,083 12	228 52	149 66	1,461 30
10 Harris	15	72	1,824	15	885	15,450	7,472 10	789 27	667 52	8,928 89
11 Haw Ridge	12	56	1,448	4	525	3,550	348 61	186 34	119 82	654 77
12 Judson	25	202	2,359	8	519	9,500	355 00	388 41	289 49	1,032 90
13 Lauderdale Co ..	9	81	716	8	603	10,650	4,189 31	598 39	149 89	4,937 59
14 Liberty, Central* ..	10		886			2,000				
15 Liberty, East	37	200	4,033	27	1,830	40,000	58 66	1,300 43	980 20	2,339 29
16 Liberty, North ..	26	190	1,867	16	1,306	34,150	4,449 24	496 79	463 41	5,409 44
17 Lookout Valley† ..	6	30	194	2	40		29 25	19 80		49 05
18 Macedonia	13	21	474	4			23 50	39 13		62 63
19 Marshall	36	197	2,836	20	1,599	11,512	1,808 75	319 98	245 85	2,374 58
20 Mineral Springs ..	12	27	704	3	73	4,300	259 30	10 63	25 52	295 45
21 Mobile	24	270	2,637	21	1,770	86,750	13,514 65	4,970 26	1,060 37	18,645 58
22 Montgomery	25	51	2,888	16	1,725	103,718	13,782 39	3,572 32	1,489 06	18,843 77
23 Mount Carmel	12	35	618	2		2,350	77 85	9 05	2 00	88 90
24 Mount Moriah* ..	8		387							
25 Mud Creek	18	86	1,127	6	300	3,600	416 27	43 68	20 30	480 25
26 Muscle Shoals	42	155	2,908	24	1,206	31,480	3,983 70	913 93	633 94	5,531 57
27 New River	20	109	1,266	7	284	8,525	1,121 14	59 31	61 61	1,242 06
28 Newton	22		2,296	11	640	16,260				
29 North River	31	170	1,954	13	640	17,830	3,420 33	330 25	250 77	4,001 35
30 Pea River	20	81	1,706	1	120	8,000	17 85	44 12	28 24	90 21
31 Pine Barren	23	51	1,741	11	598	15,000	2,624 01	587 82	339 24	3,551 07
32 Randolph Co.	28	127	2,194	15	867	31,375	100 18	581 92	361 78	1,043 88
33 Saint Clair	37	171	2,914	20	870	8,550	1,578 81	258 86	91 32	1,928 99
34 Salem-Troy	27	48	2,333	9	651	30,000	45 80	768 46	369 63	1,183 89
35 Sardis	13	38	529				12 00	33 63	20 36	65 99
36 Selma	18	47	1,156	13	634	71,600	5,406 24	2,487 81	1,990 26	9,884 31
37 Shady Grove	20	76	815	4	229		137 03	58 52	17 43	212 98
38 Shelby	25	66	1,713	17	840	14,535	3,323 72	458 22	238 30	4,020 24
39 Sipsey	20	165	1,377	8	300	3,200	241 25	155 24	26 00	422 49
40 Southeastern	8	24	280				22 80	53 30		76 10
41 Sulphur Springs ..	19	56	1,197	6	375	3,450	570 37	28 56	156 81	755 74
42 Tennessee River ..	35	201	2,139	17	800	15,000	2,309 42	611 35	439 25	3,360 02
43 Tuscaloosa	29	316	2,916	18	1,742	40,050	10,405 32	1,399 18	530 95	12,335 45
44 Tuskegee	28	124	2,160	25	1,521	45,800	6,100 90	1,436 96	434 84	7,972 70
45 Union	37	107	2,503	19	719	18,000	2,506 31	492 59	242 18	3,241 08
46 Unity	34	135	2,579	25	1,406	20,445	4,443 18	936 15	588 51	5,967 84
47 Warrior River	27	102	1,951	11	500	7,000	30 00	79 24	51 00	160 24
48 Weogufka	20	53	1,076	7	150	2,500	25 30	10 00	24 30	59 60
49 Yellow Creek	29	102	1,624	8	417	5,000	1,051 39	200 56	161 69	1,413 64
50 Zion	25	68	1,943	7	543	6,700	1,962 47	917 35	366 87	3,276 69
Totals	1884	8,766	147,127	975	60,090	\$1,581,415	\$250,961 30	\$52,757 03	\$37,650 12	\$341,368 45

* No minutes received; last reported figures.

† Churches in adjoining States not included.

‡ Reported to be dissolved.

Covington Co. has changed its name back to *Zion*; so also has *Washington Co.* to *Macedonia*.

ARKANSAS.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
1 Bartholomew	50	400	3,586	20	962	\$ 15,000	\$ 3,694 96	\$ 891 15	\$ 600 28	\$ 5,186 39
2 Benton Co.†	5	43	569	4	638	7,500	1,316 71	238 58		1,555 29
3 Benton Co.†	33	123	2,225	18	942		1,581 21	186 53	11 28	1,779 02
4 Big Creek	17	30	777	4	160	4,000	15 18	26 44		41 62
5 Blue Mountain	13	34	748	5		2,500	22 19	43 95	18 22	84 36
6 Buckner	34	180	2,255			6,500	430 40	264 46	21 37	716 23
7 Buckville	21	73	929	6		2,000	99 70	44 81	4 05	148 56
8 Caddo River*	22		871	4		3,000				
9 Caroline	70	348	5,660	41	3,176	69,925	22,662 05	3,078 37	3,700 33	29,440 75
10 Carroll Co.	15	69	1,083	8	741	18,000	3,621 13	696 58	120 52	4,438 23
11 Clear Creek	34	123	1,645	8	247	12,975	1,184 18	149 51	35 75	1,369 44
12 Columbia	9	198	2,691	12	850	24,000	74 10	233 05	217 23	524 38
13 Concord*	40		2,214	16	1,229	39,000				
14 Crooked Creek	24	122	1,004	4	152	3,250	1,035 90	168 66	69 40	1,273 96
15 Current River	14	96	645			2,000	960 18	55 65	69 31	1,085 14
16 Dardanelle	43	194	2,556	13	756	16,000	1,327 73	306 99	48 88	1,683 60
17 Fayetteville	27	61	1,563	10	600	12,000	2,352 83	541 15	27 17	2,921 15
18 Fourche Valley	17	7	583	4	149	2,000	35 15	25 30	1 35	61 80
19 Friendship	35	180	2,410	13	896	58,000	9,454 20	2,043 12	493 56	11,990 88
20 Gainesville	32	210	2,308	16		10,750	2,610 84	193 28	132 19	2,936 31
21 Grand Prairie	26	81	1,267	14		6,450	1,251 47	191 47	12 20	1,455 14
22 Greenbrier	34	107	1,959	5	222	11,000	1,170 09	309 63	7 16	1,486 88
23 Howard Co	32	107	2,082	13		12,455	2,161 35	472 42	93 90	2,727 67
24 Independence	21	97	1,325	4	170	9,400	2,665 40	176 56	205 45	3,047 41
25 Jonesboro	12	98	1,036	5			950 15	97 48		1,047 63
26 Judson	40	169	2,390	14	800	12,375	1,725 85	266 75	101 52	2,094 12
27 Liberty	31	197	2,392	13	945	29,025	6,848 57	1,332 67	720 65	8,901 89
28 Little Red River	20	22	1,343	9	614	5,970	1,224 88	64 81	77 00	1,366 69
29 Madison Co.	17	34	464				35 35			35 35
30 Miller Co	6	11	275			2,275	1,497 85	97 06		1,594 91
31 Mount Vernon	30	93	1,646	15	857	30,150	6,348 29	1,457 13	211 35	8,016 77
32 Mount Zion	41	254	3,137	22	1,700	52,300	6,337 88	1,814 39	550 24	8,702 51
33 Ouachita	31	90	1,068	6	263	2,525	972 93	63 51	4 35	1,040 79
34 Pee Dee	14	51	536	2			13 10		3 85	16 45
35 Pine Bluff	46	212	3,095	22		15,400	1,815 54	234 83	70 75	2,121 12
36 Red River	43	190	2,979	22	1,429	17,500	3,350 10	1,349 92	1,148 25	5,848 27
37 Rocky Bayou	26	140	1,475	3		3,400	488 40	74 36	63 06	625 82
38 Russellville	26	36	1,230	8	490	11,750	2,030 10	69 63	31 49	2,131 22
39 Saline	51	301	3,725	25	1,147	36,000	3,250 07	849 05	160 10	4,259 22
40 Southwestern*	38		1,419	9	417	5,025				
41 Spring River	33	158	1,969	19	1,176	20,175	2,824 13	331 60	519 79	3,675 52
42 State Line	12	49	476	6	267	2,150	309 07	23 54	5 20	337 81
43 Stevens Creek	10	96	461	2	160		16 70	2 00	4 20	22 90
44 Trace Ridge	21	75	759	2	120		79 25	6 40	9 60	95 25
45 Union	38	183	2,563	10	645	6,450	2,157 43	484 60	79 00	2,721 03
46 Union, 2*										
47 United	25	74	1,297	9	370	4,680	17 94	24 70	8 00	50 64
48 White River	22	84	1,093	5	245	5,000	825 90	82 00	50 66	958 56
49 White Rvr. Valley	8	47	498	5	234	3,000	651 78	182 75	18 20	852 73
Total	1355	5,547	80,705	475	23,569	\$ 612,855	\$103,498 21	\$19,246 84	\$9,726 36	\$132,471 41

* No minutes received; last reported figures.

† Two Associations claiming the same name.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

FLORIDA.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
1 Alachua	17	42	876	10	443	\$ 15,000	\$ 2,001 66	\$ 214 91	\$ 338 62	\$ 2,555 19
2 Beulah	16	52	1,094	8	400	16,100	1,320 01	294 99	29 98	1,644 98
3 Elimit	7	12	337	7	350	1,200	181 19	82 70	2 00	265 89
4 Florida*	35	-----	1,910	17	508	18,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
5 Graves*	16	-----	713	-----	-----	2,650	-----	-----	-----	-----
6 Hamilton	15	51	798	-----	-----	7,000	21 40	130 27	21 30	172 97
7 Harmony*	17	-----	814	5	242	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
8 Indian River	10	30	478	6	352	17,765	4,498 85	362 56	168 09	5,029 50
9 Jacksonville	20	71	1,206	9	787	64,195	30,824 07	616 87	173 00	31,613 94
10 Lafayette	22	47	754	7	-----	-----	209 48	53 67	27 70	290 85
11 Marion	35	132	2,008	20	1,020	29,125	6,594 91	972 72	141 99	7,709 62
12 Middle Florida	25	81	1,218	1	42	6,230	886 81	56 95	-----	943 76
13 New River	17	45	750	6	288	5,000	516 72	179 68	51 58	747 98
14 New Santa Fe	6	7	252	2	71	1,450	203 07	135 63	12 00	350 63
15 Pasco	16	33	613	5	200	9,000	1,274 96	124 82	82 82	1,482 60
16 Peace River	33	139	1,959	13	735	20,862	4,707 82	1,644 67	832 06	7,184 55
17 Pensacola Bay	21	77	1,129	9	464	25,395	7,180 32	525 85	116 03	7,822 20
18 Rocky Creek*	16	-----	421	2	-----	4,950	-----	-----	-----	-----
19 Saint John's River	28	43	1,317	16	613	21,380	3,756 65	244 59	318 39	4,319 63
20 Sante Fe River	15	39	1,162	12	612	22,600	3,522 78	467 53	165 13	4,155 44
21 South Florida	48	214	3,332	31	1,981	67,125	14,289 41	1,709 48	144 82	16,143 71
22 Suwannee	21	85	1,366	3	100	8,000	2,558 83	34 35	10 37	2,603 55
23 Wekiva	25	63	1,312	10	653	40,000	5,236 60	710 98	319 62	6,267 20
24 West Florida	47	202	2,721	22	1,282	27,725	6,864 69	1,159 02	274 73	8,298 44
Total	527	1,465	28,540	221	11,143	\$426,752	\$96,650 16	\$9,722 24	\$3,230 23	\$109,602 63

* No minutes received; last reported figures. † Alabama churches not included.

GEORGIA.

1 Appalachee	28	201	3,132	22	1,427	\$ 31,975	\$ 7,011 81	\$ 2,174 93	\$ 2,467 06	\$ 11,653 80
2 Ballground*	4	-----	451	4	-----	3,300	-----	-----	-----	-----
3 Baptist Union	21	72	1,438	11	551	8,700	2,278 54	337 91	100 63	2,737 08
4 Bethel	44	227	3,568	30	600	41,600	7,689 49	2,638 45	981 61	11,309 55
5 Bethlehem	11	32	735	7	-----	5,600	11 65	14 34	10 30	36 29
6 Bowen	31	193	2,010	10	649	17,100	5,069 96	894 18	122 28	6,086 42
7 Bullock Co.	15	83	1,154	-----	-----	17,700	6,853 58	1,039 80	357 58	8,250 96
8 Carrollton	27	154	2,705	13	882	8,000	816 84	475 04	354 93	1,646 81
9 Centennial	25	110	2,016	16	500	20,000	2,232 85	574 11	300 06	3,107 02
10 Central	30	121	2,335	20	1,240	30,670	11,255 56	1,263 59	1,519 34	14,038 49
11 Central Western	14	116	1,140	-----	-----	3,000	28 43	94 03	45 03	167 49
12 Chattahoochee	39	371	6,034	32	2,123	27,950	7,164 53	1,200 30	585 46	8,950 29
13 Chattooga	20	94	2,531	16	1,082	19,975	4,061 04	1,091 87	392 04	5,544 95
14 Chestatee	17	20	1,184	-----	-----	1,500	11 85	-----	-----	11 85
15 Clarkesville	18	62	1,734	12	587	6,800	545 27	55 91	23 38	624 56
16 Columbus	27	111	3,053	16	1,242	95,340	16,229 45	2,350 05	2,551 78	21,131 28
17 Concord	23	120	2,123	19	1,200	5,000	25 85	123 75	77 02	226 62
18 Consolation	14	55	668	9	430	5,675	1,500 14	290 55	152 40	1,943 09
19 Coosa	32	178	2,605	23	1,284	18,150	4,171 65	496 08	229 18	4,896 91
20 Coosawattie	9	42	500	-----	-----	2,750	6 91	1 15	-----	8 06
21 Daniell	31	218	2,127	21	1,063	14,167	6,040 50	791 64	596 46	7,428 60
22 Ebenezer	40	180	3,692	25	1,501	15,000	8,242 81	2,202 11	397 45	10,842 37
23 Ellijay	24	93	1,777	5	-----	3,000	14 90	-----	27 79	42 69
24 Enon	11	89	1,091	5	-----	-----	13 30	41 12	13 91	68 33
25 Fairburn	25	86	2,719	8	600	14,000	39 61	333 58	133 00	506 19

GEORGIA—Continued.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
26 Flint River.....	39	321	4,640	27	2,598	\$ 58,210	\$ 55 80	\$1,669 85	\$1,069 21	\$ 2,794 89
27 Floyd Co.....	35	165	4,034	30	2,000	60,000	7,718 88	3,096 35	1,469 87	12,285 10
28 Friendship.....	48	189	3,872	25	1,749	95,000	7,537 53	4,465 65	615 86	12,619 04
29 Georgia.....	61	254	6,567	56	3,242	70,000	28,498 71	7,370 47	2,631 16	38,500 34
30 Georgia, 2nd.....	7	11	545	.....	.....	5,000	14 25	.....	0 19	23 44
31 Good Samaritan.....	10	35	868	2	.....	.....	32 70	13 96	119 63	166 29
32 Gordon Co.....	21	94	2,343	8	400	6,000	555 47	108 53	53 22	717 22
33 Harmony.....	11	20	791	2	186	3,950	706 85	81 40	17 57	805 82
34 Hebron.....	41	249	4,752	20	1,396	20,000	2,865 77	1,488 72	865 42	5,214 91
35 Hephzibah.....	57	342	6,551	43	3,047	150,286	26,654 58	3,473 84	1,927 95	32,056 37
36 Hiawassee.....	14	39	863	14	729	5,500	445 25	142 02	7 60	594 87
37 Hightower.....	46	235	7,281	23	1,186	26,500	2,725 91	130 74	165 65	3,022 30
38 Homerville*.....	7	.....	323	3	178	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39 Houston.....	29	189	3,108	20	1,659	33,100	7,998 18	1,328 78	1,451 29	10,778 25
40 Jasper.....	33	149	3,507	.....	.....	.....	30 05	.....	11 64	41 69
41 Kimball.....	18	101	1,781	13	747	18,475	3,288 88	1,156 82	549 22	4,994 92
42 Lawrenceville.....	29	167	2,217	20	500	5,000	29 20	62 46	117 41	209 07
43 Liberty.....	25	89	2,225	8	380	7,500	520 40	93 71	20 34	634 45
44 Little River.....	42	333	3,133	31	1,594	19,609	6,351 50	1,554 61	1,008 28	8,914 39
45 Lookout Valley†.....	5	20	133	2	55	.....	37 31	38 25	.....	75 56
46 Lumpkin Co‡.....	8	38	480	1	.....	2,500	11 39	104 79	10 60	126 78
47 Mallary.....	24	103	1,859	9	700	18,900	3,146 40	725 09	344 25	4,215 74
48 Mell.....	27	180	1,675	15	712	28,325	13,778 10	1,721 05	4,617 17	20,116 32
49 Mercer.....	61	540	5,587	42	2,935	94,985	26,100 80	7,486 42	4,338 28	37,925 50
50 Middle.....	32	179	3,347	25	1,365	36,165	5,456 93	651 29	327 80	6,436 02
51 Middle Cherokee.....	29	180	3,213	19	.....	19,800	8,873 34	1,310 66	335 44	10,519 44
52 Miller.....	11	101	883	5	150	10,000	537 67	139 66	60 04	737 37
53 Morganton.....	16	65	1,183	12	393	5,100	1,185 46	22 51	25 05	1,233 02
54 Mountain.....	33	95	2,303	20	.....	7,750	258 54	40 74	2 85	302 13
55 Mountaintown.....	14	68	921	8	.....	2,500	9 95	17 00	10 17	37 12
56 Mount Vernon.....	31	222	3,065	23	1,292	23,560	5,427 87	766 39	487 16	6,681 42
57 Mulberry.....	22	250	3,257	14	.....	16,000	27 01	253 50	88 50	369 01
58 New Ebenezer.....	37	295	3,439	22	1,262	21,000	4,777 75	618 57	392 59	5,788 91
59 New Hope.....	24	91	1,750	.....	.....	.....	26 35	.....	.....	26 35
60 New Sunbury.....	19	152	2,696	14	1,447	103,250	14,249 89	4,622 66	541 53	19,414 08
61 Noonday.....	27	282	3,283	18	1,547	45,600	2,620 19	1,331 69	456 24	4,408 12
62 North Georgia.....	35	148	3,433	20	1,106	11,775	842 99	124 90	98 28	1,066 17
63 Notly River.....	20	45	1,530	11	400	3,000	178 50	16 48	9 71	204 69
64 Piedmont.....	32	126	2,440	25	1,268	61,940	7,070 09	1,583 96	520 50	9,174 55
65 Pine Mountain.....	23	201	2,004	15	891	20,475	3,416 67	384 79	284 64	4,086 10
66 Pleasant Valley.....	14	47	1,143	.....	.....	3,000	155 60	.....	.....	155 60
67 Polk Co.....	21	78	2,074	8	250	22,000	2,943 42	559 74	216 55	3,719 71
68 Rehoboth.....	36	372	4,573	29	2,998	105,000	31,211 67	9,255 85	6,691 86	47,159 38
69 Roswell.....	14	29	1,107	7	350	8,400	19 54	92 45	97 00	209 00
70 Salem.....	13	10	799	8	.....	.....	26 20	1 50	2 78	30 48
71 Sarepta.....	46	274	6,246	43	3,221	50,000	15,000 05	3,542 04	2,570 72	21,112 81
72 Smyrna.....	26	.....	1,697	13	400	5,000	3,519 26	441 92	221 80	4,182 98
73 South River.....	22	96	2,303	13	777	25,600	2,052 37	399 69	91 59	2,543 65
74 Southwestern.....	12	27	664	4	.....	.....	24 40	2 80	1 65	28 85
75 Stone Mountain.....	37	827	10,468	48	8,645	413,150	111,675 28	15,027 56	4,573 34	131,276 18
76 Summer Hill.....	18	64	1,296	12	548	7,500	3,036 96	789 38	518 50	4,344 84
77 Tallapoosa.....	15	87	1,988	8	.....	6,500	24 30	33 40	23 95	81 65
78 Telfair.....	26	120	1,706	12	647	11,340	3,541 75	494 21	465 15	4,501 11
79 Tucker.....	28	237	2,497	13	739	15,000	98 76	614 03	188 35	901 14
80 Tugalo.....	33	247	4,796	19	1,500	16,000	3,091 02	568 50	506 51	4,166 03
81 Washington.....	30	229	3,808	26	1,618	15,000	13,101 23	3,106 12	1,786 77	17,994 12
82 Western.....	46	302	5,761	35	2,344	49,000	19,229 71	2,980 53	1,426 09	23,636 13
Total.....	2120	12,427	213,325	1287	78,137	\$2,286,196	\$494,131 16	104,607 35	\$55,882 61	\$634,621 12

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KENTUCKY.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
1 Baptist	14	129	2,081	10	594	\$ 19,600	\$ 3,048 29	\$ 179 99	\$ 134 05	\$ 3,362 33
2 Barren River	40	132	4,749	9	275	15,000	919 80	133 76	4 20	1,057 76
3 Bay's Fork	23	78	2,315	7	400	14,550	1,313 15	201 04	61 72	1,575 91
4 Bethel	41	318	5,164	28	2,233	141,450	18,583 53	5,405 38	995 48	24,984 39
5 Blackford	32	104	3,158	14	570	9,600	1,472 78	193 92	99 26	1,765 96
6 Blood River	35	184	4,153	17	1,228	22,900	5,292 99	1,640 37	659 80	7,593 16
7 Boone's Creek	16	88	2,207	10	499	33,150	4,736 31	654 63	249 18	5,640 17
8 Booneville*	22		1,598	4	298	4,150				
9 Bracken	26	151	3,384	20	1,175	94,950	11,672 88	1,707 45	530 80	13,911 13
10 Breckenridge*	13		1,640							
11 Campbell Co.	15	126	2,553	16	1,431	60,000	11,469 88	1,063 61	243 05	12,776 54
12 Central	10	70	1,766	9	507	27,200	3,866 86	605 74	152 60	4,625 20
13 Clover Bottom	5	20	318				8 26		1 50	9 76
14 Concord	26	185	3,888	19	1,133	57,050	7,505 12	2,418 93	609 47	10,533 52
15 Crittenden	18	77	2,424	11	566	20,000	111 73	82 18	114 86	308 77
16 Cumberland River	21	78	2,139	17	700	8,000	1,133 48	62 11	50 00	1,245 59
17 Daviess Co.	43	388	8,228	41	3,454	157,300	21,013 69	2,729 72	348 36	24,091 77
18 East Concord	14	68	1,070	11	915	9,500	1,529 65	291 14	73 88	1,894 67
19 East Lynn	14	110	1,824	7	200	7,250	451 33	132 05	13 28	596 66
20 East Union*	17		2,185	9	647	8,300				
21 Edmonson	12	54	1,013	8	305	4,400	347 70	54 45	15 45	417 60
22 Elkhorn	29	364	6,251	29	2,607	222,300	38,342 74	5,559 94	683 44	44,586 12
23 Enterprise	11	28	577	4	146	3,700	363 45	14 23	2 77	380 45
24 Franklin	16	85	3,249	13	974	48,875	9,560 96	735 28	320 14	10,616 38
25 Freedom	12	22	680	6	243	5,350	917 38	65 80	90 15	1,073 33
26 Gasper River	30	114	3,190	14	797	24,850	2,873 77	624 44		3,498 21
27 Goose Creek	11	36	810				8 40		3 33	11 73
28 Graves Co.	33	269	3,865	14	1,168	57,545	11,024 08	971 70	319 50	12,315 28
29 Grayson Co.†	16	65	1,338	6	419	11,650	1,455 45	166 32	88 40	1,710 17
30 Green River	18	38	1,415	5		8,000	11 80	41 28	2 37	55 45
31 Greenup	35	152	2,740	26	2,094	40,595	13,047 22	496 50	80 54	13,624 26
32 Greenville	13	73	606			3,750	14 25		109 10	123 35
33 Irvine	21	108	1,468	2	50	4,500	12 75		33 60	46 35
34 Landmark	14	45	1,226			4,250	10 30		5 35	15 65
35 Laurel River	35	96	3,163	13	987	9,650	1,369 63	56 00	15 00	1,440 63
36 Liberty	42	217	4,594	15	1,058	33,950	5,349 36	452 50	451 42	6,253 28
37 Little Bethel	45	235	4,534	15	1,000	33,000	5,371 35	417 62	63 88	5,852 85
38 Little River	42	247	4,201	16	835	41,600	17,190 15	510 76	230 15	17,931 06
39 Logan Co.	20	91	1,963	5	311	9,950	1,620 36	370 45	37 53	2,028 34
40 Long Run	38	480	11,772	33	6,673	554,050	67,820 89	17,231 38	3,208 44	88,260 71
41 Lynn	29	115	3,898	18	875	23,025	2,211 30	226 32	40 11	2,477 73
42 Lynn Camp	11	48	893	2	147	3,250	19 00		4 00	23 00
43 Mount Zion	25	110	2,436	10	662	16,750	1,762 79	424 14	53 54	2,240 47
44 Nelson	21	148	3,365	19	1,479	77,700	8,355 84	2,579 51	869 06	11,804 41
45 North Bend	21	123	3,370	19	1,745	99,000	15,450 22	1,732 80	2,377 86	19,560 88
46 North Concord	25	99	2,033	3	100	6,055	910 15	3 05	15 18	928 38
47 North Concord, 2d	19	79	1,433			2,000		12 22		12 22
48 Ohio Co.	28	223	3,921	18	1,268	35,350	4,558 77	459 00	171 60	5,189 43
49 Ohio River	36	253	3,664	26	1,412	30,450	6,239 14	496 38	516 20	7,251 72
50 Ohio Valley	38	265	4,907	23	2,113	80,700	11,234 60	1,235 82	624 46	13,094 88
51 Owen	11	105	1,834	5	300	8,150	1,547 33	113 46	110 37	1,771 16
52 Rockcastle	18	71	1,114	11	498	4,475	690 01	101 78	119 35	911 14
53 Russell's Creek	42	143	3,782	19	1,096	30,900	4,149 56	615 63	147 69	4,912 88
54 Salem	23	92	2,681	14	590	20,800	2,482 14	450 95	123 11	3,056 20
55 Severn's Valley	21	95	2,664	14	788	37,050	5,224 78	1,230 73	209 20	6,661 71
56 Shelby	22	152	4,241	21	1,369	73,150	11,062 73	1,616 36	496 98	13,176 07
57 Simpson	13	29	2,174	12	856	16,900	3,585 61	752 28	144 62	4,482 51

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ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
58 South Concord	15	104	1,750	1	80	\$ 4,000	\$ 12 67			\$ 12 67
59 South Cumberland	42	225	3,600	20	1,271	11,950	2,471 64	\$ 156 83	\$ 42 27	2,670 74
60 South District	28	148	4,807	20	1,422	60,000	9,221 57	1,237 33	5,347 66	15,806 56
61 South Kentucky	19	83	1,975	12	1,132	25,725	2,917 10	364 06	198 01	3,479 17
62 South Union	24	21	2,161	8	480	2,000	12 25		21 33	33 58
63 Stockton's Valley†	10	13	773			2,500	11 65			11 65
64 Sulphur Fork	23	118	2,964	18	1,056	30,000	265 35	1,189 17	162 08	1,616 60
65 Tate's Creek	26	103	3,000	13	874	18,900	3,588 64	331 90	93 32	4,013 86
66 Ten Mile	15	81	2,653	10		32,500	4,430 79	115 16	373 06	4,919 01
67 Three Forks	9	33	473			5,500	581 50	57 00	71 10	709 60
68 Union	19	43	1,914	11	807	31,000	5,197 99	558 90	260 91	6,017 80
69 Upper Cumberland	12	18	569	6	348	3,000	314 25	50 16	14 54	378 95
70 Warren	25	129	3,281	19	1,703	46,960	7,906 04	3,219 94	356 53	11,482 51
71 West Kentucky	30	237	3,521	21	1,407	42,000	7,563 18	1,144 46	457 85	9,165 49
72 West Union	25	232	2,975	16	886	41,040	6,744 66	1,290 32	695 04	8,730 02
73 White's Run	13	89	2,229	10	639	25,000	4,462 12	1,022 66	1,271 10	6,755 88
Total	1676	8,955	202,950	897	63,895	\$2,779,695	\$406,027 09	\$68,059 04	\$25,490 24	\$499,576 37

* No minutes received; last reported figures.

† Tennessee churches not included.

‡ Formerly known as *Goshen*.

LOUISIANA.

1 Bayou Macon	31	215	2,225	16	752	\$ 22,000	\$ 4,172 17	\$ 721 61	\$ 337 87	\$ 5,231 65
2 Bethlehem	33	233	2,917	15	1,280	22,160	7,190 80	1,605 30	903 59	9,699 69
3 Big Creek	33	119	1,841	12	623	6,000	1,764 45	205 57	78 75	2,048 77
4 Caddo	8	152	632	3	120	2,000	623 50	68 45	60 80	752 75
5 Calcasieu*	23		1,274	15	473	4,500				
6 Carey	12	68	1,133	9	718	26,850	6,096 90	515 20	840 61	7,452 71
7 Central	28	135	2,137	9		12,000	3,883 79	282 51	109 40	4,225 70
8 Concord	29	183	2,644	20	921	11,875	3,926 35	549 30	123 65	4,599 30
9 Eastern	21	90	1,750	14		3,450	68 05	172 80	102 40	343 25
10 Everett	25	79	1,693	5		6,400	35 70	79 86	48 80	164 36
11 Grand Cane	27	112	2,124	13	785	50,000	4,173 46	1,351 81	388 71	5,913 98
12 Judson	10	46	919	7	533	34,800	8,848 26	969 98	1,417 55	11,235 79
13 Liberty	20	129	1,737	10	598	71,700	4,803 22	1,122 00	310 60	6,235 82
14 Louisiana	27	288	2,145	19	1,187	44,200	11,325 90	2,123 86	613 65	14,063 41
15 Magee's Creek†	10	112	1,414			2,975	809 30	46 15	81 25	936 70
16 Mississippi River	19	125	2,035	16	1,118	109,850	7,708 17	1,056 06	189 47	8,953 70
17 Mount Olive	19	104	1,435	9	255	5,200	703 78	189 00	58 75	951 53
18 North Louisiana	16	89	915	6	205	7,500	1,879 99	235 90	278 80	2,394 69
19 North Sabine	29	175	2,299	15	589	9,000	2,378 90	534 85	110 90	3,024 65
20 Ouachita	29	123	1,430	15	500	3,000	739 91	157 60	132 21	1,029 72
21 Palestine	16	38	813	5		1,350	34 65	24 30	3 60	62 55
22 Red River	34	162	2,774	17	497	13,000	3,905 01	501 40	893 34	5,296 75
23 Sabine	25	178	1,612	10	483	10,770	5,535 90	210 96	206 53	5,953 42
24 Shady Grove	10	44	669				182 05	12 65	15 00	209 70
25 Tangipahoa River	15	66	685	5	190	2,000	32 50	28 40	35 50	96 40
26 Union	10	146	1,129	7	471		918 45	997 91	81 15	1,997 51
27 Vernon	25	139	1,376	6	250	2,185	57 95	21 10	19 05	98 10
28 West Pearl River	15	69	1,280	6	251	2,950	296 65	63 15		359 80
Totals	602	3,419	45,037	284	12,730	\$187,715	\$82,095 76	\$13,797 68	\$7,438 96	\$103,332 40

* No minutes received; last reported figures.

† Mississippi churches not included.

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MARYLAND.

ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
1 Eastern -----	20	105	3,087	25	2,579	\$ 211,700	\$17,194 80	\$3,249 70	\$ 3,474 98	\$23,919 48
2 Middle -----	19	150	3,221	21	3,006	199,270	28,523 01	8,992 26	10,668 12	49,183 39
3 Western -----	22	202	4,391	27	4,281	344,233	30,045 84	9,899 83	8,394 45	48,340 12
Total -----	61	457	10,699	73	9,866	\$ 755,203	\$75,763 65	\$22,141 79	\$22,537 55	\$120,442 99

MISSISSIPPI.

1 Aberdeen -----	31	95	2,044	10	728	\$ 29,000	\$ 4,678 91	\$ 864 43	\$ 185 51	\$ 5,728 85
2 Bethel -----	9	20	549				26 50	9 35		35 85
3 Bogue-chitto -----	24	186	3,474	19	1,485	10,000	8,021 56	1,172 15	616 41	9,810 12
4 Calhoun -----	38	219	3,046			10,000	1,039 12	293 00	127 10	1,459 22
5 Carey -----	12	123	1,632	6	375	16,000	3,058 50	470 41	100 40	3,629 31
6 Central -----	35	335	3,807	28	2,160	126,345	22,077 51	5,023 18	4,196 19	31,296 88
7 Chester -----	31	267	2,973	15	539	11,380	2,668 80	384 94	139 98	3,193 72
8 Chickasahay -----	27	100	2,198	19	1,208	22,275	4,417 46	527 57	873 31	5,818 34
9 Chickasaw -----	38	210	3,439	14	888	19,850	4,470 08	739 18	101 86	5,311 12
10 Choctaw -----	19	106	1,120	12	400	6,000	46 15	129 40	37 80	213 35
11 Coldwater -----	43	118	2,964	22	908	60,000	8,687 79	1,004 06	381 48	10,073 33
12 Columbus -----	30	107	2,674	16	1,249	66,050	14,204 11	2,530 89	1,110 20	17,845 20
13 Copiah -----	18	219	3,169	13	1,271	65,783	8,797 05	2,360 16	484 91	11,642 12
14 Deer Creek -----	34	163	1,740	16	815	62,000	13,758 03	2,215 63	1,426 95	17,400 61
15 Ebenezer -----	7	53	569				18 30	40 52	6 90	65 72
16 Gulf Coast -----	14	51	1,003	10	893	39,900	5,903 13	641 28	36 85	6,581 26
17 Harmony -----	30	159	1,909	17	300	7,200	66 30	692 40	98 75	857 45
18 Hobolo-chitto -----	15	76	1,199	9	331	5,392	2,012 00	156 07	19 05	2,187 12
19 Hopewell -----	17	65	1,086	4	200	13,400	774 70	167 03	120 10	1,061 83
20 Judson* -----	20		1,356	13	325	8,000				
21 Kosciusko -----	34	175	2,692	17	575	14,738	4,007 45	1,146 54	901 07	6,055 06
22 Lauderdale -----	22	145	2,355	18	1,235	75,250	11,302 58	1,548 45	1,347 66	14,198 69
23 Lawrence Co -----	15	165	2,149	13	839	9,850	3,657 73	1,067 46	301.03	5,026 22
24 Leaf River -----	18	66	974				57 50			57 50
25 Lebanon -----	30	396	3,376	20	2,072	63,800	22,790 08	3,179 69	1,205 12	27,174 89
26 Liberty -----	15	54	1,067	3	125	4,700	33 65	123 16	100 19	257 00
27 Lincoln Co -----	23	171	3,067	17	1,139	17,325	6,473 88	1,195 01	553 92	8,222 81
28 Louisville -----	25	89	2,052	10	430	12,050	2,654 76	281 31	58 55	2,991 65
29 Magee's Creek† -----	5	71	933			2,500	497 50	29 60		527 10
30 Mississippi -----	25	216	3,012	14	759	17,000	4,960 81	2,816 80	218 30	7,995 91
31 Mount Pisgah -----	49	190	3,031			16,600	2,393 85	1,122 38	305 28	3,821 51
32 New Liberty -----	50	358	3,411	13	671	7,500	1,972 90	851 91	119 40	2,944 24
33 Oktibbeha -----	28	118	1,793	16	450	7,000	169 70	24 50	40 50	234 70
34 Oxford -----	25	64	1,909	15	905	45,000	5,193 98	1,749 27	1,420 08	8,363 33
35 Pearl Leaf -----	28	205	2,628	27	1,402	13,300	6,278 45	1,153 09	373 29	7,804 83
36 Pearl River -----	14	92	1,687	11	601	9,562	4,990 60	529 34	483 96	6,003 90
37 Pearl Valley -----	12	38	616	3	80		32 65	33 61	46 50	112 76
38 Rankin Co -----	20	123	1,751	10	532	10,000	2,608 89	554 25	329 89	3,493 03
39 Red Creek -----	27	122	1,337	5	189	9,000	63 66	116 61	13 80	194 07
40 Salem -----	9	40	564				9 40	9 05	2 00	20 45
41 Sipsev -----	10	23	412	1		3,200	16 10	61 35		77 45
42 South Mississippi -----	4		383	3	164		475 00	148 85	131 30	755 15
43 Strong River -----	32	216	3,726	26	1,227	20,165	7,449 52	1,097 80	306 53	8,853 85
44 Sunflower -----	17	33	531	12	415	28,685	3,789 86	726 85	230 75	4,747 46
45 Tallahala -----	24	96	1,631			4,000	40 35	49 30	12 01	101 66
46 Tippah -----	32	183	2,445	9	650	4,500	2,110 43	803 10	73 68	2,987 21
47 Tishomingo -----	44	247	3,271	15	764	30,000	6,813 82	1,231 99	120 71	8,196 52
48 Tombigbee -----	22	71	1,141			3,600	231 40	42 12	20 73	291 25
49 Trinity -----	21	62	1,482	12			748 06	129 05	74 21	951 32

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ASSOCIATIONS.	Churches.	Baptisms.	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
50 Union	19	173	1,555	14	654	\$ 20,400	\$ 3,895 65	\$ 615 84	\$ 272 20	\$ 4,783 69
51 West Judson	23	114	2,679				5,072 07	702 79	105 60	5,880 46
52 Yalobusha	24	146	2,000	12	572	28,475	4,306 01	671 23	492 80	5,470 04
53 Yazoo	41	175	3,070	24	1,226	49,950	11,354 24	1,733 87	1,355 62	14,443 73
54 Zion	26	163	2,604	14	823	9,000	2,472 86	253 05	98 95	2,824 86
Total	1305	7,272	109,294	597	32,383	\$1,115,725	\$233,681 39	\$45,220 93	\$21,279 38	\$300,181 70

* No minutes received; last reported figures.

† Louisiana churches not included.

MISSOURI.

1 Audrain	21	122	2,318	17	1,235	\$ 51,550	\$ 10,933 82	\$ 1,058 05	\$ 210 00	\$ 12,201 87
2 Barry Co	31	138	2,006	13	1,013	17,500	2,680 38	430 88	168 30	3,279 56
3 Barton Co*	14		1,061	9	669	11,300				
4 Bear Creek	22	54	1,419	15	884	18,100	2,629 37	412 21	171 47	3,213 05
5 Benton Co	22	51	1,136	11	617	10,250	1,854 16	205 94	63 25	2,128 35
6 Bethel	35	238	4,407	31	2,710	119,250	15,749 17	3,243 78	2,415 70	21,408 65
7 Black River	25	187	1,517	9	628	7,750	2,177 62	153 47		2,331 09
8 Blue River	49	352	10,009	48	7,119	443,050	71,854 01	9,983 85	4,956 00	86,793 86
9 Bourbois	11	19	565	5	275		15 54	87 64	6 56	109 74
10 Butler	27	137	2,167	23	1,538	29,200	6,832 24	805 41		7,637 65
11 Camden Co	20	22	1,007	3	108	3,600	447 97	178 83		626 80
12 Cane Creek	28	184	1,661	15	1,185	14,350	5,890 75	493 12	415 59	6,799 46
13 Cape Girardeau	16	76	1,183	13	801	20,522	2,816 28	565 17	102 27	3,483 72
14 Cedar Co	18	38	873	2	135	8,950	709 16	86 08	25 65	820 86
15 Charleston	21	86	1,182	13	1,738	15,375	4,416 23	390 42	269 64	5,076 29
16 Christian Co	21	122	1,566	9	643	7,550	741 43	166 10	16 36	923 89
17 Concord	35	118	4,180	28	2,068	50,500	6,922 51	864 73	448 27	8,295 51
18 County Line	15	87	824				10 26	123 60		133 86
19 Cuivre	23	73	1,867	19	1,243	20,050	4,878 22	645 07	411 63	5,934 92
20 Dade Co	12	26	899	8	649	9,250	2,239 31	126 30	218 37	2,583 98
21 Dallas Co	24	72	1,876	11	569	9,000	1,406 91	171 82		1,578 73
22 Daviess Co	13	59	1,331	13	781	19,600	3,231 68	283 53	192 78	3,707 99
23 Dixon	26	65	1,623	16	521	9,000	2,263 56	181 84		2,445 40
24 Dry Fork*	27		1,310			9,800				
25 Eleven Points River	17	91	802	6	379	4,590	1,491 23	216 87	125 60	1,833 70
26 Franklin	22	233	1,781	12	1,322	19,000	5,807 85	412 01		6,219 89
27 Franklin Co	15	57	1,007	6	343	15,000	873 23	10 80		884 02
28 Gentry	21	110	2,081	16	1,234	37,100	22,669 24	687 52	33 00	23,389 76
29 Greene Co	36	335	3,648	28	2,386	60,330	10,886 47	959 47	22 88	11,868 82
30 Harmony	21	121	1,963	20	1,451	60,600	9,514 99	638 81	279 56	10,433 36
31 Jefferson Co	21	12	1,107	7	290	5,000	865 16	46 82		911 98
32 Laclede Co	19	45	1,178	8	378	7,000	830 09	122 66		952 75
33 Lafayette-Johnson	39		3,637	25	1,931	72,500	16,524 66	2,050 90	14 68	18,590 24
34 Lamine	29	145	2,465	18	997	35,650	6,915 38	782 74	15 50	7,713 62
35 Lawrence Co	30	131	2,472	23	1,906	14,500	10,499 07	768 12	138 56	11,405 75
36 Linn Co	22	85	2,151	18	1,277	34,300	5,925 85	669 04	782 99	7,377 88
37 Little Bonne Femme	39	332	4,821	32	2,088	102,100	13,032 42	2,482 19	2,266 93	17,781 54
38 Livingston	17	61	1,470	14	908	30,000	2,939 49	612 31	35 64	3,617 44
39 Macon	30	108	2,854	17	1,228	51,650	8,365 68	634 47	159 39	9,159 54
40 Meramec	21	23	1,099	6	300	9,250	17 45	93 49	9 15	120 09
41 Miller Co*	22		1,659	16	893	12,900				
42 Missouri Valley	27	112	2,932	23	1,972	39,850	9,277 79	969 07	291 16	10,538 02
43 Mount Moriah	12	59	961	9	555	9,650	1,762 30	341 42	6 76	2,110 48
44 Mount Pleasant	36	170	3,690	17	1,211	44,000	7,623 33	1,536 68	814 71	9,974 72
45 Mount Salem	14	56	1,207	12	695	8,000	104 52	293 46		397 98

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				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
46 Mount Zion.....	25	121	2,405	13	658	\$ 48,950	\$ 755 88	\$1,032 00	\$ 11 17	\$ 1,799 05
47 Nevada.....	25	165	2,172	20	1,976	34,800	7,877 08	626 04	305 24	8,808 36
48 New Madrid.....	17	56	768	7	510	10,140	3,240 83	274 78	13 50	3,529 11
49 North Central.....	14	82	662	16	1,025	11,400	3,190 90	345 16	-----	3,536 06
50 North Grand River.....	33	139	2,809	26	1,571	40,475	9,960 08	579 31	593 10	11,132 49
51 North Liberty.....	66	262	6,386	46	3,276	100,000	20,173 76	3,691 99	4,213 64	28,079 39
52 North Missouri.....	11	4	618	2	125	5,750	808 05	20 40	11 25	839 70
53 Northwest Missouri.....	27	176	1,887	25	1,621	40,000	9,655 64	2,007 90	910 31	12,573 85
54 Old Path.....	25	26	1,519	6	501	7,325	1,830 04	148 01	83 58	2,061 63
55 Pleasant Grove.....	23	43	1,673	18	934	30,000	3,934 59	380 03	10 00	4,324 62
56 Polk Co.....	17	89	3,097	24	1,538	20,700	4,041 32	520 44	25 36	4,587 12
57 Pulaski Co.....	18	88	852	13	553	8,250	1,161 85	-----	-----	1,161 85
58 Reynolds Co.....	17	23	1,163	7	490	5,650	449 47	136 56	-----	586 03
59 St. Clair.....	19	66	1,213	12	673	12,000	2,783 93	563 16	38 28	3,385 37
60 Saint Francois.....	27	65	1,816	9	652	16,700	1,931 96	575 04	97 40	2,604 40
61 Saint Joseph.....	37	166	4,122	28	2,272	158,638	23,615 83	3,591 47	1,808 65	29,015 95
62 Saint Louis.....	31	290	6,908	30	5,910	532,700	125,304 16	13,479 53	1,478 13	140,261 82
63 Saline.....	26	145	2,890	20	1,453	45,800	11,324 47	1,505 03	154 05	12,983 55
64 Salt River.....	30	185	2,952	25	1,531	67,910	8,078 05	1,516 69	883 72	10,478 46
65 Shannon Co.....	10	32	441	5	175	-----	150 96	81 11	3 00	235 07
66 Shoal Creek.....	33	191	2,172	20	1,642	15,000	3,888 14	346 48	10 42	4,245 04
67 Spring River.....	26	394	2,710	18	1,950	62,100	10,519 28	1,151 96	146 54	11,817 78
68 Stoddard Co.....	18	59	921	14	722	10,000	2,990 07	73 36	106 98	3,170 41
69 Taney.....	8	12	205	1	35	-----	27 83	24 50	-----	52 33
70 Tebo.....	25	370	3,035	27	2,057	42,300	7,573 97	2,371 38	368 09	10,313 44
71 Texas Co.....	34	60	1,697	21	1,575	6,450	149 60	64 56	-----	214 16
72 Union.....	26	123	1,481	11	589	10,000	1,576 53	118 10	-----	1,694 63
73 Wayne Co.....	26	91	1,537	6	378	10,700	1,523 06	99 08	30 50	1,654 64
74 Webster.....	23	114	1,389	13	422	11,350	1,473 86	231 09	51 92	1,756 87
75 West Fork.....	20	34	1,372	10	448	16,800	2,650 05	160 67	-----	2,810 72
76 Wright Co.....	25	93	1,579	10	605	5,500	928 11	295 63	-----	1,223 74
77 Wyaconda.....	30	205	3,667	27	2,000	15,400	10,841 38	1,295 58	21 00	12,152 96
Total.....	1868	8,581	161,073	1194	91,240	\$2,981,255	\$571,037 50	\$72,322 73	\$26,469 18	\$669,829 41

* No minutes received; last reported figures.

Bethel, S. E., is dropped.

NORTH CAROLINA.

1 Alexander.....	19	134	2,798	9	566	\$ 6,000	\$ 862 26	\$ 325 96	\$ 115 97	\$ 1,304 19
2 Alleghany-Grayson...	12	29	501	3	200	3,400	94 41	28 75	6 05	129 21
3 Ashe.....	28	57	1,574	10	524	7,725	1,574 87	35 99	29 12	1,639 98
4 Atlantic.....	24	55	1,465	12	1,110	40,635	4,475 31	688 32	1,623 80	6,787 43
5 Beulah.....	12	31	826	10	572	10,000	1,442 52	470 00	385 57	2,298 09
6 Bladen.....	28	108	1,924	12	676	5,000	1,199 90	371 40	441 67	2,012 97
7 Brier Creek.....	28	117	3,184	22	1,927	15,000	11 58	139 40	24 34	175 32
8 Brunswick.....	22	79	1,494	15	991	-----	1,144 40	139 42	215 50	1,499 32
9 Brushy Mountain.....	21	74	1,878	13	1,053	10,000	1,194 14	321 25	221 61	1,737 00
10 Buncombe Co.....	31	165	3,465	24	2,601	80,350	11,222 36	3,506 00	1,302 85	16,031 21
11 Caldwell Co.....	29	117	2,316	22	1,360	25,700	3,128 38	312 55	149 31	3,590 24
12 Cape Fear-Columbus...	35	106	3,651	24	1,366	15,000	4,518 78	564 08	550 65	5,633 51
13 Carolina.....	29	146	3,431	20	1,376	19,000	2,695 99	219 08	240 46	3,155 53
14 Catawba River.....	28	125	2,267	25	1,715	15,000	2,522 81	488 65	588 26	3,599 72
15 Cedar Creek.....	19	108	2,270	16	1,399	5,050	1,986 83	468 97	1,260 09	3,715 89
16 Central.....	30	239	3,869	25	3,028	68,335	11,186 93	3,102 13	4,162 86	18,451 92
17 Chowan.....	58	391	8,960	59	5,620	99,350	24,927 94	3,007 10	3,239 35	31,174 39
18 Eastern.....	31	67	3,071	24	1,437	15,000	4,686 97	1,012 71	480 83	6,180 51
19 Elkin.....	10	37	950	-----	-----	4,000	7 65	5 25	11 56	24 46

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				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.	
20 Flat River*	34	-----	4,357	30	2,038	\$ 13,200	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
21 French Broad	23	143	2,183	13	1,285	7,000	1,805 05	184 45	444 13	2,433 63	
21 Green River	42	104	4,251	29	1,841	18,150	3,917 61	731 31	452 48	5,101 40	
23 Haywood Co.	22	118	2,173	11	896	17,000	2,509 64	320 79	544 19	3,374 62	
24 Johnston Co.	33	179	2,619	26	1,937	24,450	6,531 48	1,038 62	866 95	8,437 05	
25 Kings Mountain	37	265	6,682	36	3,630	35,580	12,037 04	1,222 77	1,249 03	14,508 84	
26 Liberty	26	100	2,383	18	1,518	18,000	4,000 76	738 33	665 64	5,404 73	
27 Liberty-Ducktown†	24	101	1,690	10	474	5,050	562 91	85 22	22 75	670 88	
28 Little River	23	131	2,373	20	1,391	10,000	4,017 33	582 75	704 97	5,305 05	
29 Mecklenburg-Cabarrus	23	154	2,428	17	2,443	28,000	8,498 86	1,603 32	701 42	10,803 60	
30 Macon Co	25	140	2,496	25	1,524	14,920	1,712 30	136 11	101 56	1,949 97	
31 Mitchell Co.	32	82	2,900	16	1,529	11,000	1,287 60	177 79	263 52	1,728 91	
32 Montgomery	18	129	1,353	11	682	5,400	1,241 26	187 52	123 62	1,552 40	
33 Mount Zion	41	347	6,198	40	4,792	85,825	14,842 44	3,845 38	2,709 85	21,397 67	
34 Neuse	27	102	1,620	22	1,607	46,275	8,502 12	1,724 93	1,606 11	11,833 16	
35 New Found	26	138	1,779	15	-----	16,750	797 64	33 84	14 55	846 03	
36 Pee Dee	27	129	2,554	24	1,695	30,000	10,115 96	1,505 00	1,013 02	12,633 98	
37 Piedmont	20	112	1,932	22	1,787	20,000	9,419 26	1,544 93	1,894 47	12,858 66	
38 Pilot Mountain	49	291	4,909	40	3,740	49,000	9,728 50	1,552 63	3,166 51	14,447 64	
39 Raleigh	32	308	4,095	27	3,581	54,000	7,792 23	1,189 26	5,697 57	14,679 06	
40 Robeson	45	263	4,698	40	3,374	40,000	10,926 41	1,933 22	1,029 74	13,939 37	
41 Sandy Creek	41	217	3,808	35	2,458	20,000	5,521 81	940 83	728 67	7,191 31	
42 Sandy Run	29	270	4,927	27	3,114	20,000	3,755 53	611 35	613 71	4,980 59	
43 South Fork	45	262	4,311	32	3,156	40,350	15,892 49	1,086 92	1,376 42	18,355 83	
44 South River	28	122	2,938	23	1,421	17,500	4,204 16	853 16	384 34	5,441 66	
45 South Yadkin	35	187	3,204	27	2,315	20,000	19,710 20	1,017 82	1,180 13	21,908 15	
46 Stanly	24	89	2,322	21	1,395	15,585	4,661 70	503 34	324 55	5,489 59	
47 Stone Mountain	16	77	810	14	898	-----	840 45	37 49	48 75	926 69	
48 Stony Fork	16	94	1,192	8	565	-----	163 56	28 82	12 94	205 32	
49 Surry	22	66	1,428	-----	-----	-----	1,725 11	178 68	46 82	1,950 61	
50 Tar River	92	741	9,521	84	5,166	119,200	23,148 24	4,953 67	6,560 69	34,662 60	
51 Tennessee River	37	159	3,244	24	1,026	5,500	887 38	59 82	76 88	1,024 08	
52 Three Forks	33	105	3,100	27	1,708	12,385	2,036 51	209 54	183 59	2,429 64	
53 Transylvania	20	65	1,512	16	1,167	5,525	2,131 80	130 71	122 67	2,385 18	
54 Tuckasiegee	24	76	2,078	20	782	10,550	1,014 82	82 60	425 67	1,523 09	
55 Union	35	207	3,740	32	2,108	24,440	6,815 03	892 30	242 82	7,950 15	
56 West Chowan	49	455	10,398	48	4,585	59,300	19,419 47	3,076 27	2,247 47	24,743 21	
57 Western	23	55	1,655	15	704	10,910	567 64	108 37	250 68	926 69	
58 Wilmington	34	62	3,418	27	1,743	68,000	9,477 01	1,246 48	538 20	11,261 69	
59 Yadkin	23	126	2,431	17	1,272	9,000	1,838 40	249 13	247 09	2,334 62	
60 Yancey Co*	28	-----	2,639	13	600	8,900	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Total	1777	8,959	184,333	1342	105504	\$1,456,290	\$322,941 74	\$51,862 48	\$53,934 02	\$428,738 24	

* No minutes received; last reported figures. † Tennessee churches not included.
 Macon Co. has been formed from Tuckasiegee.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

1 Abbeville	23	116	2,483	22	1,559	\$ 44,000	\$ 8,476 25	\$1,892 02	\$1,153 30	\$11,522 17
2 Aiken	32	110	3,119	20	1,858	27,875	6,668 29	656 96	524 72	7,749 97
3 Barnwell	37	295	4,666	27	1,506	38,390	9,186 02	930 25	1,627 38	11,743 65
4 Beaverdam	37	189	3,051	22	1,625	17,665	6,592 99	748 93	566 53	7,908 45
5 Black River	6	31	669	7	497	17,100	5,370 77	1,593 22	1,605 43	8,569 42
6 Broad River	41	360	6,384	39	3,618	57,075	12,155 40	1,532 79	3,366 82	17,055 01
7 Charleston	32	96	2,900	25	1,896	116,690	12,291 78	1,604 68	1,003 33	14,899 79
8 Chester	15	64	1,636	10	484	33,900	7,660 12	1,595 34	745 51	10,000 97

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9 Chesterfield	23	133	2,214	15	600	\$ 9,600	\$ 2,060 15	\$ 291 33	\$ 162 29	\$ 2,513 78
10 Coll-ton	21	72	2,434	10	622	14,000	4,465 87	450 89	610 22	5,526 98
11 Dorchester	7	32	422	2	58	2,500	383 90	34 03	10 07	428 00
12 Edgefield	18	56	2,319	13	760	29,700	4,149 88	1,001 25	619 36	5,770 49
13 Edisto	15	61	1,525	13	700	10,175	2,104 23	414 59	422 20	2,941 02
14 Fairfield	27	146	2,231	18	1,870	80,000	8,814 91	1,042 30	1,086 26	10,943 47
15 Florence	13	116	1,955	12	1,105	30,750	5,156 79	1,352 52	1,022 81	7,532 12
16 Greenville	38	579	6,334	28	3,591	77,400	20,568 25	3,313 44	2,320 03	26,201 72
17 Kershaw	13	20	1,239	7	523	-----	1,018 81	199 82	138 95	1,357 58
18 Laurens	27	112	3,358	25	1,695	40,350	6,279 42	3,492 33	1,499 05	11,270 80
19 Lexington	22	129	1,910	12	861	12,950	2,776 69	284 37	90 68	3,151 74
20 Moriah	19	151	2,901	16	1,213	29,500	4,420 52	480 22	556 63	5,457 37
21 North Greenville ..	30	250	4,787	29	2,086	20,225	4,248 33	624 90	515 07	5,388 30
22 Orangeburg	30	197	3,252	29	2,106	68,700	7,721 24	1,781 72	2,310 71	11,813 67
23 Pee Dee	38	188	4,007	33	2,146	60,000	8,347 57	2,297 37	1,950 10	12,595 04
24 Pickens	11	79	1,332	9	665	5,350	1,254 20	97 09	106 21	1,457 50
25 Piedmont	21	227	2,543	18	1,369	15,870	2,688 77	292 89	272 02	3,253 68
26 Reedy River	13	72	1,107	11	895	18,500	3,615 12	600 82	481 66	4,697 60
27 Ridge	21	151	3,310	17	1,388	32,220	6,103 62	1,423 13	827 51	8,354 26
28 Saluda	42	279	7,069	36	3,780	75,050	13,022 55	4,078 82	4,031 10	21,132 47
29 Santee	45	128	2,774	19	1,249	48,500	11,651 95	1,339 01	1,599 19	14,590 15
30 Savannah River ..	42	118	2,825	30	1,201	50,850	5,819 14	1,372 90	498 81	7,690 85
31 Southeast	30	61	1,964	15	804	15,000	2,267 19	705 47	330 62	3,303 28
32 Spartanburg	43	569	7,412	33	3,773	85,930	43,462 22	2,918 50	1,341 25	47,721 97
33 Twelvemile River ..	30	146	2,556	22	1,078	10,000	870 44	92 68	60 71	1,023 83
34 Union Co	21	80	1,982	17	1,300	29,930	7,087 19	693 63	1,229 53	9,010 35
35 Waccamaw	48	145	3,439	13	575	12,000	18 65	337 77	84 61	441 03
36 Welsh Neek	21	131	3,089	21	1,925	53,950	10,521 46	2,839 50	2,272 97	15,633 93
37 York	14	63	1,261	11	824	24,500	5,328 76	712 49	721 48	6,762 73
Total	943	5,751	108,449	706	53,805	\$1,316,175	\$264,529 45	\$45,120 57	\$37,765 12	\$347,415 14

TENNESSEE.

1 Beech River	32	168	2,138	12	500	\$ 12,400	\$ 1,864 54	\$ 200 23	\$ 283 87	\$ 2,348 64
2 Beulah	43	100	3,887	24	1,086	38,000	4,043 48	777 82	1,519 57	6,340 87
3 Big Emory	34	309	2,713	27	1,608	24,000	3,357 71	678 36	313 21	4,349 28
4 Big Hatchie	24	162	2,586	22	1,207	55,200	7,087 64	1,749 87	543 07	9,380 58
5 Central	47	394	5,747	38	3,070	100,600	12,340 48	4,259 33	7,270 80	23,870 61
6 Chilhowie	36	250	4,611	30	3,188	46,550	12,156 62	1,459 15	516 20	14,131 97
7 Clinton	42	208	4,148	31	2,281	41,275	6,573 39	739 49	371 42	7,684 30
8 Concord	31	163	3,369	24	1,403	53,200	5,477 61	688 49	204 84	6,370 94
9 Cumberland	42	246	5,024	29	1,971	57,550	10,572 04	2,869 41	1,771 67	15,213 12
10 Cumberland Gap ..	46	205	4,055	21	1,112	14,950	734 15	53 81	24 60	812 56
11 Duck River	36	270	3,173	22	1,314	35,000	6,551 11	694 80	391 18	7,640 09
12 Eastanollee	39	97	3,078	11	457	8,700	553 31	76 96	52 62	682 89
13 East Tennessee ..	26	131	2,203	15	-----	10,150	838 85	229 02	17 36	1,085 23
14 Ebenezer	92	226	2,231	21	1,147	18,250	7,251 04	1,035 36	125 19	8,511 59
15 Enon	21	138	2,319	3	-----	7,500	23 90	98 23	72 12	194 25
16 Friendship	34	251	3,612	21	1,351	30,000	5,170 51	696 34	2,343 88	8,110 73
17 Harmony	9	-----	317	3	-----	-----	80 00	5 00	-----	85 00
18 Hiwassee	9	16	570	-----	-----	-----	12 00	7 80	2 04	21 81
19 Holston	44	174	4,863	33	2,750	54,700	6,211 05	1,021 24	442 45	7,671 74
20 Holston Valley ..	30	83	1,923	14	548	14,000	1,012 82	77 61	18 07	1,108 50
21 Indian Creek	27	175	1,828	8	407	8,750	688 70	312 76	70 22	1,101 68
22 Judson	16	37	453	4	150	6,500	177 34	-----	3 95	181 29

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23 Liberty-Ducktown†	6	58	449	5	253	\$ 1,800	\$ 377 33	\$ 10 55		\$ 387 88
24 Little Hatchie	16		796			7,500	1,119 70	60 55	\$ 11 66	1,191 91
25 Midland	14	36	1,531	10		8,050	509 45	39 95	39 40	588 80
26 Mulberry Gap	46	266	4,138	24		15,000	22 90	77 24	22 56	122 70
27 Nashville	18	197	3,972	23	3,375	215,030	30,681 37	5,077 03	1,457 43	37,215 83
28 New River	34	71	1,532	8	348	8,825	163 42	11 55		174 97
29 New Salem	26	154	2,730	17	988	15,000	9,960 20	810 48	158 18	10,928 86
30 Nolachucky	58	130	5,708	43	3,038	54,125	6,526 78	919 31	398 38	7,844 47
31 Northern	38	184	3,817	14		17,150	34 75	82 52	17 42	134 69
32 Ocoee	43	200	4,934	34	3,201	120,000	15,407 19	2,244 20	298 08	17,949 47
33 Providence	18	143	1,650	8		13,000	430 80	35 95	4 91	471 66
34 Riverside	20	65	1,183	9		5,000	343 46	305 94	22 12	671 52
35 Salem	31	178	3,786	16	1,014	22,000	2,489 84	303 88	160 53	2,954 25
36 Sequatchie Valley	14	86	703	6		8,050	879 97	144 14	23 04	1,047 15
37 Sevier	40	250	4,551	36	1,166	22,000	1,900 18	316 81	67 80	2,284 79
38 Shelby Co	21	136	2,655	14	1,662	189,400	10,694 91	3,611 33	822 96	15,129 20
39 Southwestern	41	161	3,312	6	295	21,000	51 25	281 54	30 35	363 14
40 Stewart Co	13	47	580	5	168	3,750	421 45	28 55	7 08	457 08
41 Stockton's Valley†	18	22	989					15 25		15 25
42 Sweetwater	45	159	3,636	27	1,901	35,225	3,048 60	462 38	238 43	3,749 41
43 Tennessee	47	247	6,054	35	3,941	137,810	13,399 73	3,166 09	751 63	17,317 45
44 Tennessee Valley	20	22	1,393	12	729	7,525	791 94	14 56		806 50
45 Union	13	108	1,126	6	341	6,700	321 39	72 28	66	394 33
46 Unity	46	200	2,692	11	417	19,395	1,703 16	280 58	115 60	2,099 34
47 Walnut Grove	12	34	853	3	125	1,700	25 40			25 40
48 Watauga	27	224	3,363	18	1,450	28,750	2,313 74	227 40	134 64	2,675 78
49 Weakley Co	30	90	2,052	11	600	5,000	28 05	213 50	187 80	429 35
50 Western	22	145	2,430	13	676	23,600	2,658 51	952 33	143 76	3,754 60
51 West Union	40	110	2,146				31 69			31 69
52 William Carey	22	177	1,673	12	656	18,000	1,865 87	323 67	83 61	2,273 15
53 Wiseman	23	129	2,108	3	130	13,000	1,138 10	234 23	186 77	1,559 10
Total	1562	7,841	143,393	842	52,054	\$1,680,690	\$202,119 42	\$38,084 87	\$21,746 13	\$261,950 42

† Churches in adjoining states not included.

TEXAS.

1 Alvarado	36	444	4,351	32	2,625	\$ 50,619	\$18,188 54	\$4,314 95	\$1,837 53	\$24,341 02
2 Anderson Co	19	126	940	1	28	2,000	24 95	97 58		122 53
3 Angelina*	30		1,653	5		6,000				
4 Austin	36	211	2,953	24	1,779	73,800	13,690 71	3,528 51	952 88	18,172 10
5 Bethlehem	24	54	1,328	5	200	5,500	46 40	315 80	10 25	372 45
6 Blanco	29	103	1,469	15	871	21,350	3,349 67	1,202 95	461 51	5,014 13
7 Bryan	13	148	1,432	8		5,300	11,437 76	442 64	72 62	11,953 02
8 Burleson	9	16	445			400	91 60	25 70	1 25	118 55
9 Callahan Co	18	100	1,060	11	755	4,250	3,959 77	693 47	178 32	4,831 56
10 Central	17	40	820	6		4,300	978 40	412 33	62 45	1,453 18
11 Cherokee	36		2,879	15		30,000	44 10	213 20	39 05	296 35
12 Cisco	30	263	2,360	13	600	19,000	7,359 63	1,191 75	317 92	8,869 25
13 Clay Co	23	67	1,266	9	732	12,700	1,666 00	671 16	144 04	2,481 20
14 Collin Co	48	435	6,370	35	3,111	88,590	16,791 65	6,139 29	3,790 34	26,721 28
15 Colorado	37	116	2,147	19	1,058	27,420	9,673 71	1,839 15	1,235 50	12,748 36
16 Comanche	30	177	2,528	14	1,200	19,500	5,296 53	1,146 11	492 49	6,935 13
17 Concho Valley	23	53	1,073	11	600	11,145	3,398 50	951 60	237 95	4,588 05
18 Content	37	178	1,997	9	524	3,000	47 41	1,181 46	234 27	1,463 04
19 County Line	6	47	436	2		3,000	17 50	86 65	30 30	134 45
20 Creath	30	193	2,230	20	1,130	13,200	4,105 50	1,500 24	524 75	6,130 49

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				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
21 Dallas Co.....	23	147	2,413	15	600	\$ 30,000	\$ 3,114 68	\$ 599 72	\$ 180 15	\$ 3,894 55
22 Dallas Missionary	22	482	3,756	22	2,427	120,500	31,774 33	17,446 36	7,705 93	56,926 62
23 Delta Co.....	17	95	1,075	10	419	9,000	21 00	65 25		86 25
24 Denton Co.....	35	171	3,711	20	1,097	50,160	7,275 60	2,843 85	2,020 50	12,139 95
25 East Fork.....	21	112	1,610			5,000	27 90	557 40	14 40	599 70
26 Ellis Co.....	29	217	3,366	18	1,121	41,060	7,841 09	1,326 98	453 55	9,621 62
27 El Paso.....	18	86	1,091	8	348	14,000	10,496 95	1,981 04	933 15	13,411 14
28 Enon.....	25	221	2,031	8	560	19,920	2,226 28	624 80	72 32	2,923 40
29 Erath Co.....	48	442	3,972	22	2,062	30,350	10,457 67	3,506 98	2,503 41	16,468 06
30 Falls Co.....	26	89	2,127	8	700	17,900	4,187 32	1,684 48	330 20	6,202 00
31 Fannin Co.....	49	361	4,810	28	2,139	40,000	9,391 61	2,997 58	666 98	13,056 20
32 Freestone Co*	28		1,306							
33 German.....	16	62	777	11	639	30,950	5,274 76	1,946 77	375 40	7,596 93
34 Grayson Co.....	29	147	2,074			14,250	1,375 39	724 90	348 25	2,448 54
35 Grayson Missionary	25	196	3,304	16	1,737	50,000	8,680 15	3,668 07	880 59	13,228 81
36 Hamilton Co.....	26	116	1,903	10	606	15,350	3,483 50	1,459 28	614 46	5,557 24
37 Harmony.....	13	51	1,073			4,000	17 85	270 11	40 22	328 18
38 Henderson Co.....	18	30	1,024				883 92	592 81	164 85	1,641 58
39 Hillsboro.....	28	165	2,667	10	707	19,000	4,837 12	629 84	220 90	5,587 86
40 Hopewell*.....	20		1,569	7		5,000				
41 Hubbard City.....	16	133	1,503	11		15,500	4,729 83	1,403 00	174 37	6,307 20
42 Hunt Co.....	43	178	4,318	21	1,466	76,400	30,231 98	4,133 77	1,616 68	35,982 43
43 Jack Co.....	17	74	704	3		4,000	14 95	74 30	16 61	105 86
44 Judson.....	5		717				1,567 15		81 25	1,648 40
45 Kaufman.....	8	193	1,433	5	579	27,500	4,910 59	1,507 45	997 55	7,415 59
46 Lake Creek.....	11	24	388	1		1,000	1,240 02	102 68	27 75	1,370 45
47 Lamar Co.....	31	153	2,397	17	1,084	49,500	5,019 99	714 28	271 81	6,006 08
48 Lampasas.....	22	130	1,367	9				794 63	127 00	921 63
49 Lavaca River.....	21	35	1,282	13	678	31,000	4,255 35	1,441 00	267 19	5,963 54
50 Leon River.....	35	168	2,426	14	753	12,000	36 55	344 35	225 18	606 08
51 Liberty.....	35	121	2,455	4			31 95	530 05	68 60	630 60
52 Limestone Co.....	22	103	1,881	12	825	10,000	2,662 86	616 68	198 00	3,477 54
53 Little River.....	25	104	2,479	11	754	38,000	6,596 18	1,839 57	738 76	9,174 51
54 Little Wichita.....	11	30	463	7	336	9,000	594 97	521 38	105 42	1,221 77
55 Llano Estacado*	8		234	1		2,500				
56 Llano River.....	22	59	704	8		3,000	14 80	350 00	155 60	520 40
57 Macedonia.....	26	83	1,216	11	616	6,800	100 26	25 17	430 21	555 64
58 Medina River.....	23	132	1,200	10	508	6,500	26 05	251 45	67 37	344 87
59 Meridian*.....	19		1,389	12	686	14,950				
60 Mills Co.....	13	36	559	4	175	2,500	738 65	547 26	124 05	1,409 96
61 Montague.....	40	40	2,172	12	451	14,600	3,704 22	1,392 24	454 46	5,550 92
62 Mount Zion.....	40	136	2,516	12	650	11,000	33 90	265 96	50 75	350 61
63 Nacogdoches.....	31	146	2,131	7	263	12,900	2,155 35	639 10	106 52	2,900 97
64 Navarro Co.....	40	196	3,509	17	861	28,700	157 07	351 16		511 23
65 Navasota River.....	18	109	1,138	8	211	4,500	46 85	164 75	33 76	245 36
66 Neches River.....	48	141	3,190	16		10,000	38 95	969 55	127 45	1,135 95
67 New Bethel.....	53	132	2,575	20		4,000		498 65	248 01	746 66
68 New Bethlehem.....	30	186	2,278	13	581	11,100	2,407 82	910 93	63 75	3,382 50
69 North Colorado.....	21	57	900				1,035 10	472 57	92 70	1,600 37
70 Paint Creek.....	7	11	426	4			7 35	117 45		131 80
71 Palo Duro Canon.....	30	117	1,694	10	961	23,000	10,000 83	2,060 53	1,381 45	13,442 81
72 Palo Pinto.....	16	41	924	5	271	7,000	2,652 70	714 20	89 67	3,456 57
73 Paluxy.....	25	90	1,473	9	600	8,000	593 45	356 06	111 72	1,061 23
74 Parker Co.....	34	369	2,820	24	1,777	26,500	6,448 60	1,214 74	536 90	8,200 24
75 Pecan Valley.....	35	252	3,021	15	1,202	61,200	6,566 67	1,823 13	766 55	9,156 45
76 Peralta.....	19	118	800	6	400	3,000	1,388 71	235 78	60 42	1,684 84
77 Rains Co.....	18	109	1,054			10,000	14 20	271 55	33 30	319 05
78 Red Fork.....	25	83	1,715	15	1,200	20,000	6,868 78	1,001 24	613 13	8,433 15
79 Red River*.....	42		2,354	8	400	11,600				
80 Reheboth.....	54	424	5,324	23	1,200	59,075	15,827 80	2,738 68	747 95	19,314 43

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				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
81 Rio Grande	25	102	1,449	14	947	\$ 26,100	\$ 7,236 86	\$1,107 66	\$ 778 85	\$ 9,123 37
82 Robertson Co	17	82	1,496			15,000	1,458 47	531 35	326 15	2,315 98
83 Round Grove	15	113	1,239	5	250	4,950	1,991 05	331 95	274 95	2,597 95
84 Rusk Co	13	75	992	5			1,222 45	1,418 60	101 45	2,742 50
85 Salado	52	265	6,519	28	2,333	65,150	12,851 91	4,241 76	1,500 40	18,594 07
86 Salem	22	54	1,677	9		7,000	308 00	186 40	52 45	546 85
87 Saline	14	67	1,223	8	628	14,000	1,920 70	499 72	156 26	2,576 68
88 San Antonio	43	149	3,124	17	1,397	50,820	13,589 32	1,447 65	1,271 93	16,308 90
89 San Marcos	25	109	2,128	12	554	21,450	5,222 14	1,341 92	799 14	7,363 20
90 San Saba	21	70	1,036			12,000	22 10	272 50	127 45	422 05
91 Shelby Co	41	153	2,418	8	275	10,000	40 32	200 66	66 35	307 33
92 Shiloh	22	107	1,681	10	982	27,900	7,945 50	2,039 60	921 20	10,906 30
93 Smith Co	23	96	2,651	14	1,096	48,000	7,326 30	2,630 30	778 40	10,735 00
94 Smyrna*	13		870	1		3,950				
95 Soda Lake	28	76	1,736	4	250	28,000	1,475 25	1,118 07	335 50	2,928 82
96 Southeast	25	257	2,047	27	1,900	106,500	2,242 45	2,452 70	194 15	4,889 30
97 Staked Plains	23	123	1,040	10		5,000	2,407 20	1,170 00	347 76	3,924 96
98 Stephens Co	13	67	572	5	150		934 60	484 70	190 49	1,579 79
99 Stonewall	46	161	2,397	20	1,233	10,000	6,345 10	2,325 85	702 90	9,373 85
100 Sweetwater	36	218	2,547	15	1,558	21,000	8,799 74	3,656 72	3,064 66	15,521 12
101 Tarrant Co	35	349	4,408	29	3,668	95,000	16,982 33	6,064 69	1,189 40	24,236 42
102 Texarkana	17	101	1,360	11	785	28,725	3,630 80	838 10	213 30	4,682 20
103 Trinity River	26	49	1,339	4		5,100	29 15	275 26	64 65	369 06
104 Tryon-Evergreen	33	119	2,015	19	962	15,000	2,789 35	555 32	479 82	3,824 49
105 Union	31	208	2,951	22	2,383	123,635	28,595 87	3,402 37	1,463 11	33,461 35
106 Uvalde	11	37	472	9	410	8,235	2,331 31	759 19	130 15	3,220 65
107 Waco	43	517	5,729	33	3,489	116,300	32,651 68	6,999 65	3,415 53	43,066 86
108 Western Branch	19	43	764	5	225	7,000	756 65	511 92	93 40	1,361 97
109 Wise Co	33	181	2,736	19	1,452	21,400	7,432 92	2,656 52	1,419 88	11,509 32
Total	2851	14,422	217,144	1228	76,829	\$2,450,604	\$512,765 51	140,810 18	\$59,820 11	\$722,395 80

* No minutes received; last reported figures.

Kaufman has been formed from East Fork; Rains Co. from Harmony; and Judson from Hopewell.

VIRGINIA.

1 Accomac	30	166	3,356	29	3,190	\$ 97,150	\$ 18,362 93	\$ 2,429 85	\$ 967 11	\$ 21,759 89
2 Albemarle	29	173	3,947	28	2,815	27,750	18,823 26	1,675 24	605 78	21,104 28
3 Appomattox	37	173	4,755	31	2,040	37,900	6,665 59	2,017 88	771 92	9,455 39
4 Augusta	36	329	4,076	29	2,960	133,100	21,533 60	1,773 16	967 51	24,274 27
5 Blue Ridge	27	84	1,816	17	856	22,450	3,783 14	625 88	164 67	4,573 69
6 Clinch Valley	29	76	1,199	13	889	10,275	7,941 41	329 99	184 40	8,455 80
7 Concord	39	216	3,717	36	2,395	49,200	7,416 94	2,315 20	692 92	10,455 06
8 Dan River	26	143	3,742	34	2,417	20,000	52 02	2,522 14	950 48	3,524 64
9 Dover	56	657	13,606	50	9,772	459,075	88,402 86	16,211 12	12,387 95	117,001 93
10 Goshen	45	325	7,619	40	3,854	78,000	10,584 56	3,152 02	809 62	14,546 20
11 Hermon	22	119	3,218	23	2,080	52,400	7,097 93	1,926 33	591 96	10,516 22
12 James River	23	118	1,880	21	993	23,400	3,061 66	776 63	247 95	4,086 24
13 Lebanon	42	174	2,942	33	3,056	66,575	7,941 04	1,282 02	352 34	9,575 40
14 Middle	29	175	3,572	27	2,477	30,000	12,831 81	1,321 75	507 01	14,660 57
15 New Lebanon	33	89	2,065	17	1,488	54,165	7,506 79	2,099 70	831 78	10,438 27
16 New River	20	19	1,083	10	586	7,500	349 08	114 42	37 85	501 35
17 Peninsula	20	160	2,584	15	1,608	137,500	22,657 72	2,092 95	513 37	25,264 04
18 Piedmont	27		2,784	24	1,922	24,350	3,860 88	831 45	368 89	5,061 22
19 Portsmouth	86	807	16,810	86	11,962	666,800	120,177 26	13,231 57	3,367 88	136,776 71

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				Number.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions.	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate.
20 Potomac.....	52	252	5,720	54	3,566	\$ 134,016	\$17,290 81	\$2,483 15	\$ 830 51	\$20,604 47
21 Powells River	21	35	1,645	14	890	28,700	2,462 07	160 14	1,416 99	4,039 20
22 Rappahannock....	65	395	10,779	77	8,280	143,350	16,500 26	4,416 74	3,835 24	24,752 24
23 Roanoke.....	44	260	5,321	47	3,876	114,300	14,737 15	4,037 51	2,488 72	21,263 38
24 Shenandoah.....	25	67	2,507	21	1,828	82,600	10,953 80	2,065 77	600 53	13,620 10
25 Shiloh.....	39	112	4,439	29	1,927	71,600	8,180 75	1,739 09	508 99	10,428 83
26 Strawberry.....	50	338	6,757	48	3,693	166,020	17,177 62	3,709 40	1,466 93	22,353 95
27 Valley.....	56	305	6,512	43	4,767	147,706	24,549 49	5,189 98	2,046 54	31,786 01
Total.....	1008	5,767	128,406	896	86,187	\$2,885,882	\$481,832 43	\$80,531 08	\$38,515 84	\$600,879 35

THE TERRITORIES.

1 Banner.....I. T'y.	36	210	1,476	8	590	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,888 10	\$ 468 62	\$ 93 30	\$ 2,450 02
2 Bethel....."	36	204	1,814	15	814	-----	4,493 13	1,030 53	146 30	5,669 96
3 Delaware....."	25	208	1,704	28	2,500	10,908	11,666 80	1,213 25	1,658 39	14,538 44
4 Enon....."	37	271	2,047	12	814	5,000	2,717 85	991 57	-----	3,709 42
5 Longtown....."	26	125	1,156	9	500	6,000	1,591 96	344 32	-----	1,936 28
6 Mullins....."	24	152	1,139	11	839	9,550	1,648 38	950 57	162 29	2,761 24
7 Salem....."	30	-----	1,388	10	-----	18,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
8 Zion....."	34	367	1,995	10	410	-----	3,424 25	1,401 15	39 77	4,865 17
Total.....	248	1,537	12,719	99	6,467	\$51,658	\$27,430 47	\$6,400 01	\$2,100 05	\$35,930 53
1 Central Dist. Okl.	18	171	1,765	-----	-----	41,700	11,283 74	1,184 31	524 85	12,992 90
2 Comanche Co. "	28	188	1,146	8	-----	-----	2,702 15	418 84	54 94	3,175 93
3 Concord....."	9	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	11 00	6 36	5 36	22 72
4 Friendship....."	38	249	1,973	11	1,082	10,375	2,805 57	562 23	352 04	3,719 84
5 Greer Co....."	52	275	2,618	10	564	16,675	7,770 14	878 15	323 66	8,971 95
6 Kiowa Co....."	21	71	656	4	-----	-----	17 77	186 70	13 66	218 13
7 Lincoln Co....."	14	35	488	-----	-----	-----	12 55	6 52	22 40	41 47
8 Little River....."	14	94	707	4	400	2,000	2,336 47	198 90	83 48	2,618 85
9 Mills Co....."	26	145	993	7	-----	-----	2,412 86	232 71	103 55	2,749 12
10 Mount Zion....."	12	-----	485	10	600	5,930	-----	-----	-----	-----
11 Northwestern....."	22	95	457	6	-----	-----	659 38	637 62	56 72	1,353 73
12 Pawnee Co....."	9	33	265	6	200	8,100	3,861 58	239 99	48 00	4,149 57
13 Perry....."	30	225	2,000	19	2,421	33,475	9,608 71	627 62	95 10	10,331 43
14 Salt Fork Valley....."	15	-----	712	10	484	11,150	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total.....	308	1,581	14,265	95	5,751	\$129,405	\$43,481 93	\$5,179 95	\$1,683 76	\$50,345 64

NOTE.—The changing conditions in the territories prevent any safe method of estimating; so only such associations from which minutes of 1904 have been obtained are included in the table. See summary for estimated conditions.

HISTORICAL TABLE

Of the Southern Baptist Convention Since its Organization.

DATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.	PRESIDENTS.	SECRETARIES.	PREACHERS.
1845	Augusta, Ga.	William B. Johnson, S. C.	Jesse Hartwell, Alabama; James C. Crane, Virginia.	Richard Fuller, Maryland.
1846	Richmond, Va.	William B. Johnson, S. C.	Jesse Hartwell, Alabama; James C. Crane, Virginia.	W. B. Johnson, South Carolina.
1849	Charleston, S. C.	William B. Johnson, S. C.	James C. Crane, Virginia; Basil Manly, Jr., Alabama	J. B. Jeter, Virginia; J. L. Reynolds, S. C.
1851	Nashville, Tenn.	R. B. C. Howell, Virginia	James C. Crane, Virginia; William Carey Crane, Miss.	R. B. C. Howell, Virginia; S. Baker, Ky.
1853	Baltimore, Md.	R. B. C. Howell, Virginia	H. K. Ellyson, Virginia; William Carey Crane, Miss.	A. D. Sears, Kentucky.
1855	Montgomery, Ala.	R. B. C. Howell, Virginia	William Carey Crane, Miss.; James M. Watts, Alabama.	William Carey Crane, Mississippi.
1857	Louisville, Ky.	R. B. C. Howell, Virginia	William Carey Crane, Miss.; George B. Taylor, Maryland	Duncan R. Campbell, Kentucky.
1859	Richmond, Va.	Richard Fuller, Maryland	William Carey Crane, Miss.; George B. Taylor, Virginia.	William H. McIntosh, Alabama.
1861	Savannah, Ga.	Richard Fuller, Maryland	George B. Taylor, Virginia; Sylvanus Landrum, Georgia	William H. McIntosh, Alabama.
1863	Augusta, Ga.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	George B. Taylor, Virginia; W. Pope Yeaman, Ky.	Richard Fuller, Maryland.
1865	Russellville, Ky.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	A. Fuller Crane, Maryland; A. P. Abell, Virginia	W. T. Brantley, Maryland.
1867	Memphis, Tenn.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	A. P. Abell, Virginia; A. F. Crane, Maryland	T. E. Skinner, Tennessee.
1868	Baltimore, Md.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	A. P. Abell, Virginia; A. F. Crane, Maryland	E. T. Winkler, South Carolina.
1869	Macon, Ga.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	J. Russell Hawkins, Kentucky; E. C. Williams, Maryland	J. L. Burrows, Virginia.
1870	Louisville, Ky.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	E. Calvin Williams, Md.; Truman S. Sumner, Alabama.	William Williams, South Carolina.
1871	St. Louis, Mo.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	E. Calvin Williams, Md.; Truman S. Sumner, Alabama.	J. W. M. Williams, Maryland.
1872	Raleigh, N. C.	James P. Boyce, So. Carolina.	M. B. Wbarton, Kentucky; W. O. Tuggle, Georgia.	T. G. Jones, Tennessee.
1873	Mobile, Ala.	James P. Boyce, So. Carolina.	G. R. McCall, Georgia; W. O. Tuggle, Georgia.	J. L. Taylor, Louisiana.
1874	Jefferson, Texas	James P. Boyce, Kentucky	W. O. Tuggle, Georgia; G. R. McCall, Georgia.	T. H. Pritchard, North Carolina.
1875	Charleston, S. C.	James P. Boyce, Kentucky	C. C. Bittig, Virginia; E. Calvin Williams, Maryland	George C. Lorimer, Massachusetts.
1876	Richmond, Va.	James P. Boyce, Kentucky	O. F. Gregory, Alabama; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	Henry McDonald, Kentucky.
1877	New Orleans, La.	James P. Boyce, Kentucky	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	B. H. Carroll, Texas.
1878	Nashville, Tenn.	James P. Boyce, Kentucky	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	J. C. Furman, South Carolina.
1879	Atlanta, Ga.	James P. Boyce, Kentucky	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	Sylvanus Landrum, Georgia.
1880	Lexington, Ky.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	T. T. Eaton, Kentucky.
1881	Columbus, Miss.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	John A. Broadus, Kentucky.
1882	Greenville, S. C.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	Lansing Burrows, Georgia.
1883	Waco, Texas	P. H. Mell, Georgia	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	J. L. M. Curry, Va.; J. J. Burrows, Va.
1884	Baltimore, Md.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	C. E. W. Dobbs, Kentucky; W. E. Tanner, Virginia	George Cooper, Virginia.
1885	Augusta, Ga.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	Lansing Burrows, Kentucky; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	Francis M. Ellis, Maryland.
1886	Montgomery, Ala.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	J. P. Greene, Missouri.
1887	Louisville, Ky.	P. H. Mell, Georgia	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	J. W. Carter, North Carolina.
1888	Richmond, Va.	James P. Boyce, Kentucky	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	Carter H. Jones, Tennessee.
1889	Memphis, Tenn.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	J. B. Gambrell, Mississippi.
1890	Fort Worth, Texas	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	W. E. Hatcher, Virginia.
1891	Birmingham, Ala.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	F. H. Kerfoot, Kentucky.
1892	Atlanta, Ga.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	Geo. B. Eager, Ala.; W. H. Whitstitt, Ky.
1893	Nashville, Tenn.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	Chas. A. Stakely, District of Columbia.
1894	Dallas, Texas	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	R. A. Venable, Mississippi.
1895	Washington, D. C.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	B. L. Whitman, District of Columbia.
1896	Chattanooga, Tenn.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	Geo. W. Truett, Texas.
1897	Washington, N. C.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	J. J. Taylor, Virginia.
1898	Wilmington, N. C.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	
1899	Norfolk, Va.	Jonathan Haralson, Alabama.	Lansing Burrows, Georgia; O. F. Gregory, N. Carolina	
1899	Louisville, Ky.	W. J. Northen, Georgia	Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Maryland	
1900	Hot Springs, Ark.	W. J. Northen, Georgia	Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Maryland	

HISTORICAL TABLE—Continued.

1901....	New Orleans, La.	W. J. Northen, Georgia.	Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Maryland.	E. X. Mullins, Kentucky.
1902....	Asheville, N. C.	James P. Eagle, Arkansas.	Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Maryland.	F. C. McConnell, Georgia.
1903....	Savannah, Ga.	James P. Eagle, Arkansas.	Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Alabama.	W. J. Williamson, Missouri.
1904....	Nashville, Tenn.	James P. Eagle, Arkansas.	Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Alabama.	W. W. Landrum, Georgia.
1905....	Kansas City, Mo.	E. W. Stephens, Missouri.	Lansing Burrows, Tennessee; O. F. Gregory, Alabama.	W. H. Felix, Kentucky.

STATE ORGANIZATIONS.

BODIES.	PRESIDING OFFICER.	SECRETARY.	IN CHARGE OF MISSIONS.	MEETING, 1905.
Alabama State Convention.....	Mr. G. L. Comer, Eufaula.	Mr. Wm. A. Davis, Anniston.	W. B. Crumpton, D. D., Monty	Sheffield, July 21.
Arkansas State Convention.....	Mr. John Avers, Fort Smith.	Rev. W. F. Dorris, Camden.	Rev. J. F. Love, Little Rock.	Fort Smith, Nov. 17.
Florida State Convention.....	Rev. S. B. Rogers, Gainesville.	Rev. E. H. Rennolds, Jacksonville.	Rev. L. D. Geiger, Apopka.	Bartow, Jan. 17, 1906.
Georgia State Convention.....	Hon. W. J. Northen, Atlanta.	B. D. Ragsdale, D. D., Macon.	A. Y. Jameson, D. D., Atlanta.	Macon, Nov. 16.
Indian Territory General Convention.....	Rev. E. D. Cameron, S. McAlester.	Rev. W. P. Blake, Ema.	Mr. J. C. Stalcup, S. McAlester.	Ada, to be announced.
Kentucky General Association.....	W. H. Felix, D. D., Lexington.	Rev. J. K. Nunnelly, Geo'town.	J. G. Bow, D. D., Louisville.	Russellville, June.
Louisiana State Convention.....	Mr. L. E. Thomas, Shreveport.	Rev. J. S. Campbell, Evergreen.	E. O. Ware, D. D., Alexandria.	To be announced, Nov. 8.
Maryland Union Association.....	Hon. J. Levering, Baltimore.	Rev. W. H. Baylor, Baltimore.	Rev. E. B. Hatcher, Baltimore.	Baltimore, Oct. 25.
Mississippi State Convention.....	H. F. Sproles, D. D., Vicksburg.	Rev. J. P. Hemby, Hazlehurst.	Rev. A. V. Rowe, Winona.	Tupelo, July 5.
Mississippi General Association.....	Rev. N. L. Clarke, Newton.	Mr. D. M. Russell, Taylorsville.	Rev. J. E. Chapman, Newton.	Philadelphia, Oct. 28.
Missouri General Association.....	Mr. E. W. Stephens, Columbia.	Mr. A. W. Payne, Saint Louis.	Rev. T. L. West, Carrollton.	Warrensburg, Oct. 24.
North Carolina State Convention.....	R. H. Marsh, D. D., Oxford.	Mr. N. B. Broughton, Raleigh.	Rev. T. L. Johnson, Raleigh.	Raleigh, Dec. 6.
Oklahoma Convention.....	Mr. C. A. Smith, Timmons ville.	C. P. Ervin, D. D., Landrum.	T. M. Bailey, D. D., Greenville.	Columbia, Dec. 1.
South Carolina State Convention.....	A. U. Boone, D. D., Memphis.	Rev. Martin Ball, Springfield.	W. C. Golden, D. D., Nashville.	Jackson, Oct. 12.
Tennessee State Convention.....	R. C. Buckner, D. D., Dallas.	Rev. A. E. Baten, Amarillo.	J. B. Gambrell, D. D., Dallas.	To be announced, Nov. 9.
Texas State Convention.....	W. H. Parks, D. D., Morgan.	Rev. L. L. Sams, Jacksonville.	Rev. J. M. Newburn, Jacksonville.	Dallas, Oct. 31.
Texas Missionary Association.....	Hon. W. W. Moffatt, Salem.	Rev. H. C. Smith, W. Appomattox.	Mr. Wm. Ellyson, Richmond.	Charlottesville, Nov. 16.
Virginia General Association.....				

SUMMARY OF DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS—1904.

STATE.	Associations.		Churches.			INCREASE BY			DECREASE BY			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		Value of Church Property.
			Baptism.	Letter.	Statement.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Erasure.	Death.	Total White Membership.	Number.	Enrollment.	
Alabama	79	1,884	8,766	7,025	224	734	7,553	1,375	905	1,366	147,127	975	60,090	\$1,581,415
Arkansas	49	1,355	5,547	3,442	89	513	3,079	977	---	900	80,705	475	23,569	612,555
District of Columbia	1	18	274	233	48	6	150	8	76	73	6,153	24	6,489	736,800
Florida	23	527	1,465	1,434	23	207	1,104	312	81	227	28,540	921	11,143	426,752
Georgia	82	2,120	12,427	10,790	---	994	10,933	1,946	9	2,155	213,325	1,287	78,137	2,286,196
Indian Territory	24	537	1,537	1,796	116	190	1,259	333	---	83	27,745	250	6,467	141,933
Kentucky	72	1,676	8,955	4,572	225	736	5,379	4,395	138	2,153	202,950	897	63,895	2,779,695
Louisiana	27	602	3,419	2,385	9	388	1,938	717	37	396	45,037	284	12,739	487,715
Maryland	3	61	457	717	---	82	227	189	---	100	10,699	73	9,866	755,203
Mississippi	54	1,305	7,272	5,354	---	487	4,637	1,032	28	1,134	109,294	597	32,383	1,115,725
Missouri	77	1,868	8,581	5,374	824	521	5,966	1,770	812	1,617	161,073	1,194	91,340	2,981,255
North Carolina	60	1,777	8,959	5,370	15	1,036	5,618	2,422	55	1,759	184,333	1,342	105,504	1,456,290
Oklahoma	14	308	1,581	1,771	12	107	1,117	218	---	86	18,265	95	5,751	129,405
South Carolina	37	943	5,751	3,995	---	549	4,034	1,331	---	1,055	108,449	706	53,805	1,316,175
Tennessee	52	1,562	7,841	3,955	178	571	4,305	1,628	375	1,657	143,393	842	52,054	1,680,690
Texas	109	2,851	14,422	15,152	347	1,204	13,810	2,852	307	1,518	217,144	1,228	76,329	2,460,604
Virginia	27	1,008	5,767	3,173	533	569	3,348	1,084	989	1,435	128,406	896	86,187	2,885,882
Totals	790	20,402	103,021	76,528	2,643	8,886	74,457	22,589	3,812	17,714	1,832,638	11,386	776,248	\$23,824,590

AGGREGATED CONTRIBUTIONS, 1904.	
Salaries and Home Expense	\$4,168,947 17
Missions	784,864 77
Other Benevolence	425,289 66
Total	\$5,379,081 60

Other States (Am. Bapt. Year Book, 1905)	
Colored membership in Southern States*	1,070,969
	1,941,653
Total in United States	4,845,260
Other lands (English and other handbooks)	837,559
Total	5,682,819

Baptist membership in the world
* Their own estimate; not reliable.

LIST OF PASTORS

WITHIN BOUNDS OF THE

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

NOTE.—This list of pastors engaged in the active work of the ministry is compiled from the Association minutes of 1904, together with such alterations as have resulted from the scrutiny of the denominational press since the period of the Association meetings up to May 1. Some names have been omitted for want of knowledge of correct postal address, since the only value to such a list is to make it a method of communication which an omitted or incorrect address would render of no avail. Notification of errors or changed residence will be appreciated by the compiler. **Pastors changing their address after January 1 of each year should send postal card with such information to insure correctness.**

Address, LANSING BURROWS, Nashville, Tenn.

† Where this sign occurs, R. F. D. (Rural Free Delivery) should be added to the postoffice indicated.

ALABAMA.

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| Absher, W. H., Hanceville† | Barkley, P. C., Brighton | Bottoms, J. M., Clarkson |
| Adams, G. W., Ashridge | Barnes, J. E., Sulligent | Bradley, L. M., Avondale |
| Adams, S. A., Jackson | Barnes, J. T., Newville | Bradley, W. E., Oakgrove |
| Adams, W. Y., Gumspring | Bartlett, J. T., Round Mountain† | Brady, E. W., Gadsden |
| Alexander, W. A., Nix | Bartley, W. T., Blanton | Bragg, Geo. W., Cullman† |
| Allen, D. C., Florala | Batson, A. B., Carbonhill | Branham, M. T., Birmingham† |
| Allen, R. M., Emuckfaw | Bealle, J. T., Northport | Brannon, A. S., Roanoke |
| Anders, J. H. M., Buhl | Bedell, W. H., Waverly | Brasher, R. R., Vincent |
| Anderson, G. S., Auburn | Bell, Geo. L., Jacksons Gap | Brasher, W. I., Vandiver |
| Appleton, J. B., Collinsville | Bentley, C. J., Sylacauga | Briscoe, A. W., Trinity† |
| Armstrong, Aris, Headland | Bentley, O. P., Wilsonville | Briscoe, C. W., Flint |
| Armstrong, W. J., Clanton | Blee, Isaac, Clanton† | Briscoe, M., Butler |
| Arnold, R. B., Ozark† | Blackwelder, W. M., D.D., Livingston | Briscoe, W. J., Falkville |
| Aston, J. T., Attalla | Blair, Thos., Center | Brock, L. N., Saint Elmo |
| Avant, W. C., Montgomery | Blankenship, G., Somerville | Brooks, A. J., Sellersville |
| Bagwell, J. E., Arab | Bledsoe, J. O., Gurley | Brooks, T. J., Elba |
| Baird, D. O., Reform | Bledsoe, W. C., D.D., Lafayette | Brown, C. T., Coffeys Store |
| Baker, N., Georgiana | Bledsoe, W. C., D.D., Lafayette | Brown, J. B., Alabama City |
| Baker, W. G., Bankston | Bomar, Paul V., D.D., Marion | Brown, J. R., Cullman† |
| Bamber, O. A., Birmingham | Bone, J. F., Marble Valley | Brown, W. S., Birmingham |
| Bane, G. W., Pisgah | Boozer, G. S., Jacksonville† | Browning, W. Y., Irondale |
| Barker, J. A., Victoria | | Brunson, J. E., Mobile |

- Buckner, J. C., Oneonto
 Burden, C. J., Lafayette
 Burdshaw, D. E., Kinsey
 Burgess, A. P., Mentone
 Burns, A. E., Brighton
 Burson, S. R., Brooksville
 Busby, J. L., Calera
 Bush, J. Henry, Clayton
 Butts, J. A., Vincent
 Bynum, H. G. B., Boaz†
 Byrd, J. B., Georgiana
 Cagle, A. J., Mountalnboro
 Callaway, Pitt M., Newton
 Callaway, T. M., Talladega
 Calvert, J. C., Bremen
 Camp, C. D., Cambridge
 Campbell, S. H., Dothan
 Campbell, W. J., Heflin
 Cannon, J. E., Grassy
 Carllsle, Robt. W., Goodwater
 Carney, J. L., Souwilpa
 Carr, L. H., Jacksonville
 Carr, Thos., Warrior
 Carroll, T. L. S., Goethite
 Castelow, B. J., Geneva
 Catts, S. J., Fort Deposit
 Caudle, W. T., Pharos
 Cave, Thos. W., Carns
 Chadwick, T. J., Tenbroeck
 Champlon, J. E., Jemlson
 Chappell, Hix B., Carrollton†
 Chltwood, P. C., Portersville†
 Churchlll, J. H., Bell Mills
 Claburn, W. M., Boaz†
 Clark, C. C., Frankfort
 Clark, J. W., Spruceplne
 Clark, R. C., Newhope
 Clark, R. W., Hamilton
 Clayton, E. C., Flomaton
 Clayton, J. J., Crossville†
 Clements, S. W., New Lexington
 Cloud, J. J., Shorter
 Cobb, W. T., O'Neal
 Coffman, J. W., Piedmont
 Colley, J. O., Eastlake
 Collins, D. S., Kyles
 Collins, I. L., New Lexington
 Comstock, O. E., Sheffield
 Conger, J. R., Hackneyville
 Conger, R. E., Hackneyville
 Connell, L. A., Hugent
 Connell, W. H., Stanton
 Cook, J. M., Rutledge†
 Cooper, J. C., Gallaway
 Cooper, R. M., Eclectie†
 Countryman, A. S. J., Canoe
 Station
 Cox, J. M., Millport
 Cox, S. J., Cullman†
 Cox, W. J. E., D.D., Mobile
 Cralg, L. P., Bessemer
 Cransmore, W. W., Blocton
 Crawford, E., Sauty Mills
 Creel, A. J., Warrior†
 Creel, J. E., Bangor
 Creighton, J. H., Whatley
 Cross, S. L., Jacksonville†
 Crouch, Austin, Blrmingham
 Crow, J. B., Valleyhead
 Crumbley, J. W., Rosa
 Crumpton, B. H., D.D.,
 Belleville
 Crumpton, G. W., Columblana
 Culpepper, C. T., Wedowee
 Cumbie, R. A. J., Luverne
 Cumble, W. A., Loango
 Cunnlgham, B. E., Jewell
 Curry, J. R., Cltronelle
 Curry, W. G., New Decatur
 Curtis, H. S., Ashridge
 Daly, Wilson, Natural Bridge
 Daniel, I. N., Graham
 Daugherty, A., Dothan
 David, F. C., Hartsells
 Davidson, A. C., D.D., Birm-
 ingham
 Davls, J. A., Columblana†
 Davis, W. T., Carbonhill
 Dawson, L. O., D.D., Tusca-
 loosa
 Day, J. W., Atmore
 Deal, R., Ozark
 Deal, R. C., Ozark
 Dean, J. W., Mellow Valley
 Deason, T. J., Clanton†
 Deer, Jno. E., Roberts
 Deese, Z., Kinsey
 Deshazo, J. B., Esto, Fla.
 DeWitt, L. C., Thomasville
 DeWitt, W. II., Gastonburg
 Dleklinson, A. J., D.D., Blrm-
 ingham
 Dicklenson, D. W., Winfield
 Dleklinson, J. G., Gadsden
 Dleklinson, J. P., Fayette
 Dicklenson, J. V., Jasper
 Dicklenson, J. W., Knoxville
 Ditto, Samuel, Getup
 Dlx, A. F., Montgomery
 Dobbs, L. L., Sterling
 Dobbs, O. C., Palos
 Dobbs, T. T., Rutledge†
 Dozier, M. B., Marble Valley
 Duett, P. H., Warrenton
 Dunnaway, J. W., Alabama
 City
 Dunn, J. A., Daviston
 Dyer, J. J., Alexandria
 Earnest, W. B., Carbonhill
 Eaves, J. A., New Decatur
 Eiland, C. L., Bullock
 Eiland, D. M., Bullock
 Elliott, W. J., Montgomery
 Elllson, F. A., Clanton
 Etherldge, A. W., McEntyre
 Fancher, II. W., Athens
 Faulkner, W. W., Geneva
 Fendley, J. H., Fulton
 Fenn, E. G., Inverness
 Ferguson, J. B., Samantha
 Fleming, J. W., Jackson
 Fleming, N. B., Curtis
 Fleming, T. M., Abbeville
 Fletcher, F. M., Camden
 Flippo, J. T., Peaks Mill
 Floyd, B. P., Troy
 Folmar, R. H., Luverne
 Fort, W. L., McWilliams
 Foster, J. H., Jr., D.D., An-
 nlston
 Foster, W. T., Seale
 Freeman, G. W., Trlo
 Frost, M. J., Hodges
 Frymire, J. M., Searcy
 Gable, Jno. F., N. Birmingham
 Gardner, J. H., Lubbub
 Garret, W. M., Delta
 Gavin, R. S., Bessemer
 George, E. E., Prattville
 Gibson, A. L., Womackhill
 Gibson, G. W., Arley
 Gibson, J. F., Vlneland
 Gilland, J. N., Melville
 Gllpin, W. F., Gllpin
 Godfrey, O. P., Millport
 Godfrey, W. J., Lubbub
 Gordon, M. W., Brewton
 Graham, W. T., Tennille
 Grass, A. D., Weaver
 Gravelee, II. J., Palos
 Gravett, J. B., Stockdale
 Green, A. W., Winfield
 Gregory, J. L., Dudleyville

- Gregory, O. F., D.D., Mont-
 gomery
 Gregory, W. G., Notasulga
 Griffin, W. S., Alexandria†
 Griffith, J. W., Samson
 Griggs, D. H., Upshaw
 Grogan, W. W., Center
 Gross, Jos L., Selma
 Gunn, Jackson, Trinity
 Haggard, J. W., Greensboro
 Hagood, J. J., Clayton
 Haley, J. H., Boaz†
 Hall, J. M., Mobile
 Hall, Richard, Orrville
 Hall, W. M., Lincoln
 Hammer, J. D., Elrod
 Hand, J. L., Deatsville†
 Hardin, B. G., Trinity
 Harmon, W. B., Eeleetie
 Harrell, W. B., Fulton
 Harris, C. L., Chinagrove
 Harris, J. C., Moody
 Harrison, G. W., Goshen
 Hartin, W. M., Mobile
 Hastie, L. H., Talladega
 Springs
 Hawkins, R. F., Luverne
 Haynes, D. J., Anniston†
 Haynes, J. W., McFall
 Hays, T. E., Hanceville
 Heard, C. C., Rockford
 Hearn, A. J., Yantley
 Hearn, W. H., Pollard
 Helms, C. O., Elba†
 Hendricks, J. A., Pratt City
 Heptinstall, J. C., Ophir
 Herring, J. E., Sumterville
 Hicks, D. B., Kaylor
 Higginbotham, R. M., Mud-
 creek
 Hill, Jos., Scottsboro†
 Hill, M., Scottsboro
 Hilliard, J. W., Huutsville†
 Hodnut, L. P., Hat
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 Holden, J. C., Duke
 Holliday, H. J., Roanoke
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 Honeycutt, R. M., Jemison
 Hood, N. A., Ashville
 Hosmer, J. W., Cottondale
 Howard, W. W., Myrtlewood
 Howell, C., Franelseo
 Howell, Ralph, Carns
 Hubbard, W. D., Troy
 Hubbard, W. G., Wiliford
 Hubert, T. S., Roanoke
 Huekabee, W. N., Pineapple
 Huekaby, John, Sweetwater
 Hudson, F. T., Auburn
 Hudson, J. D., Auburn
 Hudson, P. L., Birmingham
 Hudson, R. H., Millbrook
 Huey, J. M., Eastlake
 Huey, M. T., Wylam
 Hughes, B. C., Weldon
 Hughes, B. F., Morris†
 Hughes, Ezra L., Till
 Hughes, J. D., Salter
 Hulsey, T. R., Rosalie
 Hunter, J. P., Opelika
 Hunter, R. M., Enterprise
 Hutto, A. A., Deatur
 Ingram, Frank J., Delta
 Ingram, J. L., Chandler
 Springs
 Ingram, S. J., Delta
 Inzer, I. W., Brompton
 Isbell, C. T., Dunnivant
 James, B. H., Russellville
 Jenkins, A. M., Meltons Mill
 Jenkins, J. A., Montgomery
 Johnson, A. C., Almond
 Johnson, A. J., Attalla
 Johnson, C. S., Anniston
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 Johnson, J. E., Dismukes
 Johnson, J. M., Eeleetie
 Johnson, W. F., Aeme
 Johnson, W. H., Guntersville
 Johnson, W. R., South Hill
 Jones, G. E., Gadsden
 Jones, Henry, Alexander Clty
 Jones, H. N., Partlow
 Jones J T., Corona
 Jones, Lamar, Marbury
 Jones, M. L., Oakman
 Jones, P. M., Pineapple
 Jones, Wiley, Goodwater
 Jones, W. S., Russellville
 Jordan, J. L., Almond
 Keiley, T. A., Weoka
 Kelly, Jno. C., Malvern
 Kelly, T. J., Upshaw
 Kenedy, J. W. II., Arab
 Keoun, J. B., Alabama Clty
 Kerr, G. W., Reform
 Kerridge, Wm., Thomasville
 Kidd, R. A., Vineent
 Kilpatrick, J. B., Hlxon
 Kimbrell, J. M., Toledo
 Kirkland, L. A., Webb
 Kirkland, R. C., Volina
 Knight, H., Garth
 Knight, H. C., Barfield
 Lamb, J. R., Carns
 Lambert, A. J., Mt. Pleasant
 Lambert, J. S., Bay Mnette
 Langley, A. W., East Talassee
 Langston, I. N., Cuba
 Langston, O. P., Sixmile
 Larkin, J. R., Coatopa
 Lawley, J. W., Branchville
 Ledbetter, R. C., Cullmant†
 Lee, Chas. R., Marion
 Lee, D. P., Carlownville
 Lee, R. B., Eufaula
 Lee, S. W., Travis
 Lee, W. W., Rash
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- Ahrens, Edward, Dallas, Tex., June 30, '04.
 Aldman, Claude, Gibsland, La., May, '04.
 Alford, J. H., Natchitoches, La., Nov. 5, '04.
 Allen, B. F., Berea, Ky., Apl., '04.
 Allen, E. T., Citra, Fla., Jan. 29, '05.
 Allison, A. O., Transylvania co., N. C., Apl. 2, '05.
 Baird, A. C., Russellville, Ky., May 5, '04.
 Baker, Clarence, Campbell co., Ky., Oct. 28, '04.
 Barnes, W. W., Elm City, N. C., July 31, '04.
 Barrett, Gordon, Sulphur Springs, Tex., Oct. 26, '04.
 Barton, Edgar C., Shelby co., Mo., March 11, '05.
 Bassett, W. B., Hattie, Ga., Jan. 29, '05.
 Bell, J. A., Blue Mountain, Miss., Jan. 29, '05.
 Bins, F. W., Kansas City, Mo., Sep. 1, '04.
 Bishop, O. L., Fairland, Mo., Sep. 1, '04.
 Boothe, J. H., Cary, N. C., June 26, '04.
 Brewer, C. M., Marbury, Ala., Oct. 6, '04.
 Bridges, J. D., Cleveland co., N. C., Nov., '04.
 Brookshire, C. T., Madison co., Ky., July 31, '04.
 Brown, J. H., Havana, Cuba, Jan. 1, '05.
 Buckley, J. O., Lawrence co., Miss., June 5, '04.
 Burkhalter, L. L., Cass co., Tex., Nov. 6, '04.
 Callaway, T. W., Americus, Ga., Oct. 27, '04.
 Campbell, T. M., Mount Lebanon, La., March '04.
 Carlisle, Robt., Goodwater, Ala., Oct. 29, '04.
 Carter, Wm. P., Mount Lebanon, La., July 3, '04.
 Christopher, W. A., Easley, S. C., Nov. 27, '04.
 Clark, W. H., Tampa, Fla., March 9, '05.
 Clyde, T. E., Mount Airy, S. C., Oct., '04.
 Collins, W. E., Kizer, Ark., Sep. 11, '04.
 Connaway, B., Daviess co., Ky., Sep. 22, '04.
 Creasman, W. B., Asheville, N. C., Oct. 5, '04.
 Davault, S. P., Chesterfield co., Va., Aug. 7, '04.
 Davidson, A. D., Manchester, Va., June 26, '04.
 Davis, C. C., Caroline co., Va., Aug. 24, '04.
 Davis, Wm., Henderson co., Tex., Aug. 21, '04.
 Dozler, C. K., Gainesville, Ga., June 5, '04.
 Emfinger, A. E., Wetumpka, Ala., Dec. 11, '04.
 Estes, A. L., Comanche co., Tex., July 10, '04.
 Ewing, W. P., Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 16, '04.
 Flynt, W. A. H., Crawfordville, Ga., Jan. 29, '05.
 Frost, J. B., Cosby, Mo., Nov. 13, '04.
 Gaw, B. D., Richmond, Va., Feb. 8, '05.
 Gibbs, W. S., Mitchell Co., Tex., Feb., '05.
 Goodwilt, B. T., Waco, Tex., Nov. 23, '04.
 Gould, J. O., Tina, Mo., May 21, '04.
 Griggs, W. F., Dockery, Mo., Apl. 12, '05.
 Groner, F. S., Jacksboro, Tex., Feb. 12, '05.
 Gunn, J. H., Fordyce, Ark., Feb. 16, '05.
 Hall, C. H., Culpeper co., Va., July 31, '04.
 Hall, Frank, Carlisle co., Ky., Dec. 25, '04.
 Ham, J. W., Jackson, Ga., Jan. 18, '05.
 Harris, M. L., Wilson, N. C., Oct. 30, '04.
 Hartin, Wm. H., Ridgeway, S. C., Aug. 16, '04.
 Heightmeyer, D. F., Louisville, Ky., June 29, '04.
 Hendricks, J. S., Alexandria, La., May 5, '04.
 Herring, J. Q., Waco, Tex., Oct. 12, '04.
 Hickerson, Judson, Meade co., Ky., June 28, '04.
 High, J. F., Waco, Tex., Feb. 8, '05.
 Hogan, L. R., Lincoln co., Ga., Dec. 29, '04.
 Holcomb, H. R., Brookhaven, Miss., Apl. 2, '05.
 Holcomb, T. Luther, Poplarville, Miss., Apl. 24, '04.
 Holloway, L. M., Vandemere, N. C., July, '04.
 Ingram, Pierce, Brownington, Mo., May 5, '04.
 Ivey, W. E., Walton co., Ga., Apl. 22, '05.
 Jackson, W. P., Tallapoosa, Ga., Aug. 31, '04.
 James, W. C., Jefferson co., Ky., Dec. 25, '04.
 Jones, Frank W., Stotts City, Mo., Nov. 25, '04.
 Kee, J. L., Texas, Oct. 2, '04.
 King, J. H., Ayden, N. C.
 Koegel, H. A., Ida, La., Nov. 29, '04.
 Leonard, Isaac S., Louisville, Ky., June 1, '04.
 Leverett, G. M., Wise co., Tex., Jan. 8, '05.
 Little, L. Peyton, Lynchburg, Va., Oct., '04.
 Long, Stewart I., Louisville, Ky., Jan. 11, '05.
 Looper, Marion, Pickens co., S. C., March 5, '05.
 Lovvorn, Robt. M., Bowdoin, Ga., Sep. 9, '04.
 Mangum, P. D., Durham, N. C., Sep. 8, '04.
 Manning, W. B., Waco, Tex., Oct. 12, '04.
 Marshall, O. N., Castalia, N. C., March 16, '05.
 Martin, N. T., Clay, Ky., Jan. 5, '05.
 Matthews, S. T., Louisville, Ky., June 1, '04.
 McCarter, Jesse, Wake co., N. C., Jan., '05.
 McKee, C. T., Brookhaven, Miss., Apl. 2, '05.
 McNew, Geo. J., Ozan, Ark., May, '04.
 Metcalfe, M. Y., Saint Louis, Mo., Apl. 7, '05.
 Michael, J. W., Little Rock, Ark., June 5, '04.
 Milton, Jno. H., Forsyth co., Ga., Nov. 6, '04.
 Mitchell, J. H., Greenville, S. C., June 5, '04.
 Moore, E. T., Harris co., Ga., June 18, '04.
 Moses, F. G., Rock Springs, Tex., May 29, '04.
 Moss, Ellis W., Logau co., Ky., Dec. 4, '04.
 Moss, Randolph, Jackson, Tenn., Feb. 1, '05.
 Nelson, J. W., Waco, Tex., Feb. 12, '05.
 Owens, Geo., Jefferson City, Tenn., Sep. 28, '04.
 Padgett, L. B., Norfolk, Va., June 19, '04.
 Paez, Franc J., Havana, Cuba, Feb. 5, '05.
 Patterson, M. O., Clifton, Miss., Sep. 1, '04.
 Paul, E. A., Orrum, N. C., Dec. 30, '04.
 Payne, Dixon, Robertson co., Tenn., June 1, '04.
 Pearce, J. S., Dilley, Tex., July 31, '04.
 Petty, S. M., Calhoun, Mo., March 24, '05.
 Plunkett, J. H., Madison co., Tex., Jan. 8, '05.

- Powell, L. J., Pittsylvania co., Va., July 30, '04.
 Prather, Guy L., Dekalb, Mo., June 9, '04.
 Preston, Thos. J., Mellow Valley, Ala., July 2, '04.
 Putney, Floyd, Cumberland co., Va., July 20, '04.
 Racer, Jas. M., Berea, Ky., Apl., '04.
 Rasco, R. A., Chilton co., Ala., Jan. 15, '05.
 Reed, J. I., Donley co., Tex., May 15, '04.
 Renfrow, Wm. B., Matthews, N. C., May 28, '04.
 Richardson, M. M., Greenville co., S. C., Dec. 25, '04.
 Riddle, W. M., San Antonio, Tex., Apl. 4, '05.
 Riney, Earl A., Pettis co., Mo., July 12, '04.
 Roberts, E. W., Comanche co., Tex., March 27, '04.
 Robinson, H. P., Centerville, I. T., June, '04.
 Sanford, W. L., Aubrey, Tex., July 17, '04.
 Sloan, D. G., Eubanks, Ky., June 26, '04.
 Smith, A. P., Hope, Tex., Apl. 20, '04.
 Snuggs, E. T., Louisville, Ky., June 29, '04.
 Spurlin, Lucien L., Gracey, Ky., Jan. 29, '05.
 Staples, R. F., Staunton, Va., Jan. 5, '05.
 Stephenson, S. S., Dunlap, Mo., Oct. 22, '04.
 Stewart, —, Collinsville, Tex., Nov. 7, '04.
 Stovall, E. L., Marblehill, Mo.
 Strange, Timothy, Kennedale, Tex., Nov. 27, '04.
 Suddarth, Frank K., Harriman, Tenn., Feb. 12, '05.
 Thomas, J. M., Louisville, Ky., June 8, '04.
 Thompson, A. M., Anderson co., Tex., Apl. 9, '05.
 Thompson, E. M., Smithville, Tenn., Sep. 16, '04.
 Tribble, T. J., Banks co., Ga., June 18, '04.
 Tullis, W. M., Whitney, Ala., Dec. 18, '04.
 Valdez, Guadalupe, Delrio, Tex., June, '04.
 Wakefield, Wm. D., Louisville, Ky., Dec. 21, '04.
 Walters, F. R., Lafollette, Tenn., Apl. 2, '05.
 Watlington, B. P., Pittsylvania co., Va., July 30, '04.
 Weaver, W. W., Smithville, Miss., Oct. 16, '04.
 Wells, J. N., Aullville, Mo., Nov. 6, '04.
 Williams, J. P., Jr., Audubon, Ky., March, '05.
 Willion, W. W., Louisville, Ky., Aug. 20, '04.
 Willis, A. W., Jessie, Tex., Dec. 20, '03.
 Wiltshire, Houston, Orange co., Va., Aug. 12, '04.

MINISTERS DIED.

- Adams, A., Cullman, Ala., Nov. 5, '04.
 Adamson, S. M., Randolph co., Ala., Nov., '03.
 Baker, J. A., Kershaw co., S. C., May 29, '04.
 Baker, W. J., Tifton, Ga., June 29, '04.
 Barksdale, W. H., Mississippi co., Ark., Sep. 8, '04.
 Becks, B. W., Penial, Fla., Jan. 27, '05.
 Bedell, D. J., Swan, Tex., Jan. 20, '05.
 Blackwell, W. N., Forsyth co., Ga.
 Bledsoe, Jno. S., Tyler, Tex., Aug. 4, '04.
 Bohannon, A. B., Memphis, Tenn., Feb., '05.
 Brothers, B. F., Riverside, Ala., Feb. 7, '05.
 Campbell, A. N., Buies Creek, N. C., Sep. 6, '04.
 Campbell, T. A., Anderson co., S. C., Jan. 25, '05.
 Canant, G. J., Slocomb, Ala., Apl. 26, '04.
 Causey, J. L., Washington co., Ala., Sep. 8, '04.
 Chappell, W. Y., Wake co., N. C., Sep., '04.
 Chism, J. M., Pickens co., Ala., Feb. 27, '04.
 Chumbley, Wm., Dawson co., Ga.
 Clack, M. R., Royse City, Tex., Sep. 22, '04.
 Cohen, A. D., Baltimore, Md., Feb. 12, '05.
 Cox, J. F., Morgan co., Tenn., May 21, '04.
 Cox, T. J., Lagrange, Ga., Nov. 12, '04.
 Craft, Abram, Mercer co., W. Va., Nov. 16, '04.
 Crutcher, Morris D., Madison co., Ala., Sep. 4, '04.
 Davis, A. G., Daviess co., Ky., March 20, '04.
 Davis, S. P., Little Rock, Ark., Sep. 26, '04.
 Davls, T. J., Pensacola, Fla., Apl. 2, '05.
 Dodson, B. F., Metcalfe co., Ky., Oct. 19, '04.
 Draper, Frank, Nashville, Tenn., Sep. 1, '04.
 Duncan, L. B., Paducah, Ky., March 10, '05.
 Duncan, T. M., Ashe co., N. C., Nov. 28, '04.
 Dunnegan, E. W., Clarksdale, Mo., June 8, '04.
 Eagle, Jas. P., Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 20, '04.
 Egerton, M. W., Hendersonville, N. C., Mar. 22, '05.
 Ellis, C. H., Macon, Ga.
 Fields, E. L., Cochran, Ga., Oct., '04.
 Fields, R. P., Pickens co., Ga.
 Fortson, E. R., Grand Cane, La., Feb., '05.
 Freeman, J. T., D.D., Starkville, Miss., Jan. 8, '05.
 Fuller, D. A., Leonard, Tex., Apl. 6, '04.
 Gilbert, R. H., Abbeville, Ala., June 22, '04.
 Grant, R. J., Dallas, Tex., Oct. 17, '04.
 Green, Jasper, Camden co., Mo., Apl. 21, '04.
 Guillebeau, J. L., Norwood, Ga., March 24, '05.
 Hamilton, J. E., Para, Brazil, Dec. 4, '04.
 Harris, Jesse, McMinn co., Tenn., Apl. 28, '04.
 Hardin, G. J., Forsyth co., Ga.
 Hardman, W. B. J., Commerce, Ga., Aug 21, '04.
 Hatcher, Harvey, Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 15, '05.
 Heffner, S. D., Hudson, N. C., June 8, '04.
 Horton, A. H., Gardl, Ga.
 Hunt, Ambrose, Livingston co., Mo., Apl. 21, '04.
 Hutchinson, Thos., Rucker, Tenn., Feb. 5, '05.
 Jackson, B. A., Ramer, Ala., May 20, '04.
 Jesse, Wm. J., Audrain co., Mo., Jan. 25, '05.
 Jones, D. G., Camden, Ark., March, '05.
 Kelly, J. R., Snyder, Tex., July 16, '04.
 Kling, W. J., Adalrsville, Ga.
 Knighton, C. H., Randolph co., Ga., Aug., '04.
 Knowles, T. N., Washington co., Fla., July, '04.
 Kuykendall, J. A., N. C., Feb. 7, '04.
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- Neville, J. T., Windsor, Mo., May 10, '04.
- Noble, S. C., Laclede co., Mo., May 11, '04.
- Northrop, Wm. B., Saint Louis, Mo., Apl. 5, '05.
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- Nunnally, B. F., Screven co., Ga., Aug. 9, '04.
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- Odom, W. W., Tarrant co., Tex.
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- Paul, Chas. B., Davls, N. C., Aug. 18, '04.
- Payne, J. S., Georgetown, La., Feb. 25, '05.
- Peace, W. S., Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 11, '04.
- Perry, J. M., Wyllesburg, Va., July 22, '04.
- Pettigrew, J. L., Clinton, Miss., Apl. 8, '05.
- Petty, Henry, Chatham, Va., July 16, '04.
- Pool, F. D., Rusk co., Tex., Apl. 26, '04.
- Poore, Henry, Clalborne co., Tenn., Apl. 2, '04.
- Powell, J. W., Georgetown, S. C., July 27, '04.
- Raley, C. H., Union ph., La., Dec. 22, '04.
- Reeves, W. N., D.D., Eufaula, Ala., March 20, '05.
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- Reid, James, Saint Charles, Mo., Feb. 12, '05.
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- Rowland, Jas. E., Hennessey, Okl., Jan. 10, '05.
- Rudy, J. F., Ste. Genevieve co., Mo., Apl. 4, '04.
- Ryland, Jno. W., Middlesex co., Va., March 26, '05.
- Sandusky, G. C., Shelbyville, Tenn., Sep., '04.
- Severance, A., Vernon ph., La., Nov. 8, '04.
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- Silberstein, Louis, Star City, Ark.
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- Sklnner, Thos. E., D.D., Raleigh, N. C., Apl. 2, '05.
- Smith, A. P., Knox co., Tenn., Sep. 23, '04.
- Smith, Jno., Cole co., Mo., May 16, '04.
- Smith, Mathew B., Tuscaloosa co., Ala., Feb. 4, '04.
- Spivey, M. T., Nacogdoches co., Tex., June, '03.
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- Strickland, C. W., Nashville, Ark., June 13, '04.
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- Whittle, M., Dyersburg, Tenn., Jan. 26, '05.
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- Williams, J. C. R., McEwen, Tenn., March 14, '05.
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